



It's an emotional moment after the signing of the coalition agreement between religious parties and the Likud. Premier Menachem Begin (centre) embraces his number two man, Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich. At right is Josef Burg, head of National Religious Party. Agreement has stirred much discussion, both in Israel and Diaspora.

Analysis

Israel must yield occupied lands Carter says in blunt statement

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

In his bluntest and possibly most significant policy statement on the Middle East since he assumed the presidency, Jimmy Carter this week spelled out part of the terms Israel must abide by in an Arab-Israeli settlement. Neither the Israelis nor the Jewish communities in the Diaspora will like it.

President Carter instructed the State Department to make it absolutely clear that Israel must withdraw from the bulk of the occupied territories, in return for a durable peace that would include steps toward normalization of relations with the Arabs.

Taking issue with the new Israeli government's policy that it must retain the West Bank and the Gaza Strip for reasons of security and national-religious sentiment, Washington declared that no territory was sacrosanct in Arab-Israeli negotiations.

"To automatically exclude any territory under dispute would be contrary to the principles of negotiating without preconditions," the State Department spokesman said in a statement cleared by the White House.

Though the American position will startle and anger many supporters of Israel, the fact of the matter is that Carter's statement contained little that was substantially new. Its significance is that the United States — Israel's chief benefactor — has officially dredged up the old 1969 Rogers Plan, which called for an Israeli withdrawal from the occupied lands, with only minor rectifications.

Long before Carter won the presidency, he briefed 75 Jewish communal leaders about his Mideast policy. He told them that "a final solution may very well entail a withdrawal of Israel basically to the 1967 boundaries." And he asserted that "the Palestinian people have to be recognized as a nation with a terri-

tory assigned to them on the east or west bank of the Jordan."

Carter has not deviated from that stand. However, he has confused his listeners — intentionally or unintentionally — by declaring that he would not yield control of the Golan Heights if he were premier of Israel, and by stressing that his administration would never impose a settlement on the Jewish state.

Just 10 days ago, Carter conferred with Shlomo Goren, the chief rabbi of Israel. Rabbi Goren told him that God had chosen him to lead the Middle East to peace and "to accomplish a prophetic vision without dividing the Middle East" — in other words, not force Israel to relinquish the West Bank. The rabbi also said it had never been suggested to him that Israel should return to the pre-Six Day War borders.

And yet, just one day after his meeting with Rabbi Goren, Vice-President Walter Mondale — a strong supporter of Israel — said in a well publicized speech that Israel's security would be enhanced if it agreed to return to "approximately" the borders that existed prior to the 1967 war.

The inevitable Israeli-American showdown over the contours of a settlement has been brewing since the Six Day War. It is bursting into the open now because of the energy crisis, the Arab-American rapprochement forged by Henry Kissinger and the almost universal European, Asian and African view that an Israeli withdrawal to the 1967 lines is imperative.

Clearly, the worst fears of the American Jewish community are coming to pass — an imposed settlement — and Prime Minister Begin will be powerless to change the drift of American policy when he meets Carter on July 18. As Henry Kissinger used to say, the U.S. is committed to guarding Israel's pre-1967 frontiers, not its expanded ones.

Israel enters Common Market

Bonds has stake in expansion

TORONTO —

July 1 marks the official entry of Israel into the European Common Market this year as a member of its free-trade area, and Toronto Israel Bond supporters have an important stake in the celebration.

Years of painstaking negotiation went into the agreement now coming into effect, and their impact on Israel's economic future has been heralded as nothing short of "decisive" by economic experts.

To benefit from the agreement, Israel must accelerate development projects geared to increased export production. In this context, Bonds have played a significant role in supporting every facet of Israel's economic expansion since 1951.

This has amounted to more than \$3.6 billion over the past 26 years, enabling Israel's development budget to build the infrastructure for industrial growth — roads, housing, factories, exploitation of natural resources, electric power, and the like.

On July 1, all customs barriers will be removed from every industrial product Israel exports to the nine countries of the European Economic Community. This represents the final stage in eliminating all duties on goods manufactured in Israel.

Israel will now be able to ship its manufactured goods duty-free to the EEC, and will also continue to benefit from a protected home market, since the pact allows Israel to maintain customs tariffs on imports from EEC countries for a number of years.

The free trade agreement thus expands Israel's access to an enormous market of close to 300-million inhabitants of the Common Market countries. It also provides Israel with a new means of encouraging investments in Israel by North American companies which have substantial trade with Western Europe.

By establishing plants in

Israel to produce the products they export to Common Market countries, these companies could derive considerable trade advantages by shipping their Israel-made products duty-free to the members of the Common Market.

In addition, Israel also offers American companies the benefits of highly skilled labor at a lower cost than the wage scales prevailing in Europe and other generous incentives for investment and the establishment of branch plants.

Jewish schools urge increase of French

MONTREAL [Staff] —

The Jewish day schools in Montreal have proposed in a submission to the Ministry of Education that French instruction be increased to 11 hours per week next year from the present nine hours in grades one through three.

The government had asked, on March 15 that French instruction be increased to 14 hours where those grades are subsidized 60% and to 17 hours where grants amount to 80% of the cost of educating a student. Grades one, two and three are under Bill 56, the private education act. The remainder have associate status with the Protestant school board.

The Association of Jewish Day Schools began negotiations with education officials after the March 15 directives and met with Education Minister Jacques Yvan Morin in April. The Association was then asked for a brief outlining its goals in francization

over the next couple of years. The brief was considered unsatisfactory, even though it did favor the principle of more class time devoted to French.

A meeting was held three weeks ago between ministry officials and representatives of the Association and AJCS. The schools were assured that subsidization to the kindergarten would not be withdrawn as earlier indicated and removal of francophone students from the day schools would be in accordance with Bill One and not on a separate basis.

Association president Carl Laxer said a reconciliation had not been reached yet and negotiations will continue. Meanwhile, in an appendix to the interim report of the Jewish work group to the Interconfessional and Intercultural Affairs Committee of the Superior Council of Edu-

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Rabbis concerned over impact of proposed religious laws

TORONTO [Staff] —

The president of the Toronto Board of Rabbis, Rabbi Michael Strohm, warned here last week that "a violation of modern democracy" would occur if Israel's Law of Return is amended and non-Orthodox conversions to Judaism are thereby not recognized by the rabbinate in Jerusalem.

Spiritual leader of Temple Har Zion, a Reform congregation, Strohm said it was "unhealthy to legislate people's religious behavior." The rabbi emphasized he was speaking in a personal capacity.

He asserted that respect for the integrity of religion in Israel would diminish if the Knesset passed such a bill.

The Canadian Jewish News solicited comments from other rabbis and various heads of communal organizations. With the exception of one Orthodox rabbi and a local Herut leader, all were concerned about the possible impact of the proposed legislation, and some expressed fear over the new government's foreign policy.

Last week, the World Council of Synagogues, the international organization of Conservative Judaism, voiced "deep concern" over the reported capitulation by Prime Minister Menachem Begin to the religious demands of the ultra-Orthodox Agudat Israeli political faction.

Begin reportedly agreed to abide by those demands as the price for Aguda's agreement to support the Likud coalition government.

Rabbi Arthur Lelyveld, the president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis (Reform), also attacked the Begin-Aguda deal. He deplored what his movement considers the lack of religious pluralism in Israel, and discrimination against the non-

Orthodox there.

In his comments to The Canadian Jewish News, Rabbi Strohm said that if the proposed amendment to the Law of Return becomes law, Reform and Conservative converts would not be considered Jews by the government. They would not be permitted to immigrate to Israel as Jews, according to the Law of Return, and they would be unable to marry in an Israeli synagogue, he explained.

Rabbi Strohm said that when he attended the Central Conference of American Rabbis convention in New York state recently, Begin's personal emissary, Shmuel Katz, informed the gathering that the

prime minister's assurances to Aguda were personal, and that the party was not necessarily bound by them.

W. Gunther Plaut, a leading Canadian Reform rabbi, was reluctant to speak for attribution, saying that the subject "doesn't lend itself to quick telephone conversations."

However, the spiritual leader of Holy Blossom Temple said he felt the amendment would not pass the Knesset. "They won't muster a majority," he commented. Asked what might happen if the amendment became law, Rabbi Plaut replied: "It would lead to great disunity."

Rabbi Plaut, who is national president of the Canadian



Rabbi Michael Strohm

Jewish Congress, said he was speaking as a rabbi rather than as a community leader. Rabbi Gedalia Felder, a well known Orthodox rabbi, said the amendment, if passed, would not constitute discrimination against the Reform and Conservative branches of Judaism. "There's only one way of Judaism, as it has been from time immemorial. All other ways are fake," he said. Rabbi Felder heads Shomrai Shabbath and is chairman of the Rabbinical Vaad Kahash-ruth, Congress, Central Region. He accused most Reform and Conservative rabbis of "not living up to traditional Judaism."

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Library with anti-Zionist bias receives funds from crown agency

By TOBA KORENBLUM

TORONTO —

The Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), a crown corporation, is funding a learning resource centre here which includes in its Mideast library collection a preponderance of strongly anti-Zionist material.

Since the inception of the Development Education Centre in 1971, CIDA has provided the group — housed in St. Paul's Avenue Road United Church — with close to \$120,000 of taxpayers money to expand the multi-media library. For the fiscal year of 1976-77, the crown agency paid \$32,000 or close to 20% of the centre's operating budget of \$170,000.

The centre has a comprehensive library of books, periodicals, pamphlets and films devoted to social and political issues. Its publicity literature defines DEC as "a non-profit, independent group of people committed to critical education on Canada and the Third World."

Its section on the Mideast, which does contain some balanced material on the political issues in that part of the world, is largely pro-Palestinian. Samples include pamphlets on Yasser Arafat's speeches, Fatah resolutions, material from the Institute for Palestine Studies in Beirut ("To Whom Does Palestine Belong?"), books like *Israel A Colonialist Settler State* and *The Disinherited*, on Palestinian refugees.

Employing some half-dozen staff, the centre is engaged in research, prepares multi-media kits for classrooms and opens its libraries to high school and university students, teachers, social action, community and research groups, trade unionists and so forth. DEC staff have also worked with the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE).

When contacted repeatedly by The CJA for information on their work or sources of funding, several staff members refused to comment. Though details are sketchy, the group has received a Wintario grant of \$2,275 and has reappplied this year for additional funds. OXFAM has provided money in the past for specific educational programs.

(Over the phone, one staffer balked at talking about money and suggested a face-to-face interview which was scheduled with another staff member, after yet another call. But that DEC worker became tied up and when questions were put to a third spokesman, she phoned back to say "nobody can talk to you. You'll have to go with

what you've got.")

A CIDA spokesman in Ottawa explained that the group's grants were authorized to expand the centre's developmental films available for public use, education-

al material for schools and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and multi-media kits for the classroom. The money was not necessarily directed toward Mideast projects.

In its submission guide for organizations seeking aid, CIDA stresses it will not grant public funds to groups whose activities "present a political or partisan viewpoint."

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Arab reaction to Likud win moderate, Cotler says

By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM —

Some of the most moderate reaction to the Begin victory in the Israeli elections has come, paradoxically, from the Arab world. Prof. Irwin Cotler told The Canadian Jewish News last week, on his return to Israel after a 12-day visit to three Arab countries.

Prof. Cotler, currently on leave from McGill University, said reasons for Arab equanimity regarding the election results were spelled out to him in a series of wide-ranging discussions with senior government officials, top military personnel, journalists and academics in Cairo, Damascus and Amman. He is currently a guest lecturer at Hebrew University's faculty of law.

The purpose of Prof. Cotler's visit, assisted, he stressed, by Canadian embassies abroad, was to write a series of articles on the Arab-Israeli conflict for the Canadian press, and also to gather material for a study of his own which will focus on Canadian foreign policy in the Mideast.

He travelled with 35 members of an American Professors for Peace in the Middle East group, which included several other Canadians.

Prof. Cotler declined to identify for the time being the officials with whom he met. But he singled out a discussion with a top Egyptian official, which, he said, exemplified the sophistication with which the Arab world now assesses the situation in Israel. The official in question relayed to Prof. Cotler the following points in a memorandum he had prepared on the implications of the Israeli election results for Egypt and the rest of the Arab world:

— Israeli policy would be clear and unambiguous for the first time; there is no essential difference between Begin and Allon — both are expansionist. But while Allon is a "closet annexationist," Begin is an open one.

— Nonetheless it might be possible for the Arab world to reach a deal with Begin: Nixon made a deal with Red



Prof. Irwin Cotler

China, DeGaulle made one in Algeria. On the same lines, Begin, despite his public pronouncements, might be prepared to make a settlement.

— The U.S. might be able to pressure Begin and the Likud in a manner which it could not, or would not do with the Alignment. The problem of domestic restraints which had previously inhibited American pressure on Israel would now be disposed of.

— The image of Israel would now be that of a government led by a terrorist, pursuing reactionary, extremist, and clericalist policies. Israel would therefore suffer appreciably in terms of public opinion, particularly in constituencies on which she had hitherto drawn for a favorable image: the Western social democracies, the liberal press in the U.S., academics, intellectuals, and other opinion leaders.

— The Arab world anticipated a split in North American Jewry, which up till now has spoken with a unified voice on behalf of Israel. The American administration could capitalize on this split, and further drive a wedge into support for Israel.

A polarization within Israel itself is anticipated, with internal divisive factors coming to the fore, especially with respect to religion and state and foreign policy.

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Herut divided

TORONTO [Staff] —

Herut Hatzohar appears to be divided over a decision by its parent body, the Canadian Zionist Federation, not to hold elections for delegates to the World Zionist Organization — leaving the whole issue, now, up in the air.

President of the organization, Ben Milner, notified CZF President Phil Givens that his group (formerly Zionist Revisionists) found the resolution unacceptable.

The decision not to elect the 17 Canadian delegates to the Congress in February was reached unanimously at a CZF-national executive meeting last month. Louis Shainhouse, a Toronto executive member of Herut, agreed at that time with the resolution.

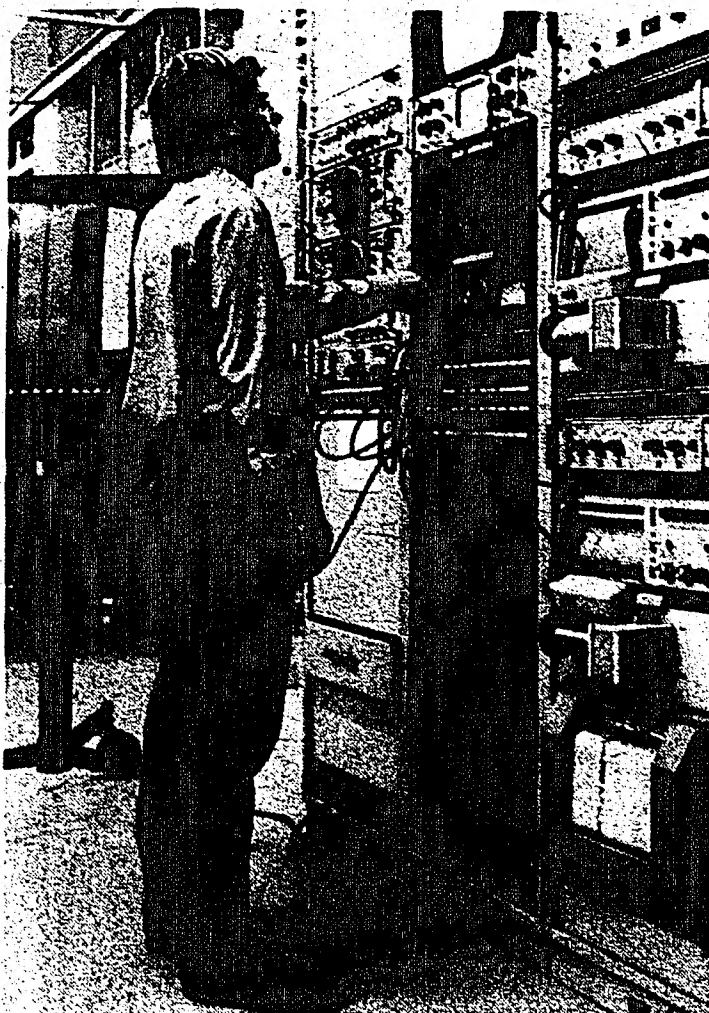
If the group holds to its decision, says Givens, "then there's got to be an election." He was surprised by Herut's move because of their vote in support at the executive meeting, along with the approval for the resolution from

Herut Women.

"I don't know if it's a difference of opinion between the president and other members of the executive," said the CZF head. "that could be straightened out." He had told the national executive elections would be too costly and a waste of energy.

Louis Silver, former president of the Zionist Revisionists in Toronto, said Herut will abide by the decision taken in Israel that elections must be held in each area. "The fact is that decision has been taken," he said, "and having been taken we will abide by it."

Givens said it was unlikely that the constituent group would have a chance to increase its representation at the Congress in any case. He is still hoping for unanimity behind the resolution. One loosely-formed group, the United Zionists for Canada (formerly Zionists for the '70s) has not yet answered the CZF's resolution.



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World News

Dry Bones



Former Israel Premier Yitzhak Rabin (left) greets Yael and Ben-David Ben-Zur in his Jerusalem office. Rabin wrote the forward to Ben-Zur's autobiography entitled "Dual Allegiance." The Ben-Zurs live in both Israel and in Toronto.

Carter praises law passed on boycott

By JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON (JTA) — President Carter last week signed into law the anti-boycott law, and hailed the consultations among Americans that successfully led it as a "model" to end divisiveness in the Middle East. The signing ceremony took place with unusual elaborateness in bright sunshine in the Rose Garden of the White House with the prime administration officials, leaders of Jewish national organizations, business corporate executives and Congressmen prominently identified with the new law present.

Mideast conference

Reconvene Geneva : Soviet

PARIS (JTA) — Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev said here that both the Soviet Union and the United States favored reconvening the Geneva conference on Middle East peace this fall and that it should not be delayed because a new government has taken office in Israel. He said it would be nonsense to postpone the conference every time a Middle East government held a general election. Brezhnev made his remarks at a meeting with President Valery Giscard d'Estaing at Rambouillet Castle where he was staying during his two-day state visit to France. French official circles meanwhile have expressed concern that the tough policy adopted by the new Israeli government headed by Premier Menachem Begin could affect a Mideast peace settlement. They said the composition of Begin's cabinet, consisting of nationalist and religious elements, confirmed their fears. But the officials added that the Begin government's slim parliamentary majority may force it to moderate its policies. Brezhnev had sharp words for President Carter during his meeting with Giscard with respect to Carter's campaign for human rights in the USSR. Giscard was reported to have affirmed, however, that respect for human rights and freedoms was a key issue in efforts to relax East-West tensions.

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Urges a united stand

GROSSINGER, NY (JTA) —

A leader of Reform Judaism in America called on the American Jewish community to stand united against possible attempts by the United States to pressure Israel into accepting an imposed settlement of its conflict with the Arab states.

Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis (CCAR), warned that there are "clear signals from the White House and some members of Congress" that such pressure will be brought to bear.

Addressing the 88th annual convention of the CCAR at Grossinger's Hotel here, Lelyveld said, "We must make it clear, each of us to our own senators and representatives, that the American Jewish community will not placidly accept this kind of betrayal of previous promises."

He referred to recent remarks by President Carter about only "minor adjustments" of Israel's 1967 borders, a "homeland" for Palestinians and compensation for the 800,000 Jewish refugees who fled or were ousted from the Arab countries.

"We must call upon the president of the United States to hold fast to his pre-election affirmations," Lelyveld said.

"There are subtle signs too, of an effort to mobilize American Jewish opinion for the purpose of bringing Israel 'into line'."

He stressed that "only the sovereign, democratic state of Israel can determine where its interests lie. We can offer counsel or criticism when it is valid, but never pressure or interference — nor can we be complacent about pressure or interference from others — even from Israel's supposed friends."

'No change in religion'

LONDON (JCNS) —

Anglo-Jewish communal leaders have been assured by an emissary of the Likud, Ehud Olmert, that its advent to power in partnership with the Orthodox parties in Israel, does not presage "any basic change in the status quo in religious matters" and that the coalition government would not itself initiate any change in the laws defining who is a Jew, or enforcing Shabbat observance.

Olmert, who leads the Independent Centre faction within Likud, has similarly assured Labor and Conservative parliamentarians here that the government would actively pursue a peace settlement with the Arabs on the basis of negotiations without any preconditions.

The youngest member of both the previous and present Knesset, Olmert, 32, spent a few days here at the invitation of Anglo-Jewish leaders. But he denied that his mission was in any sense an "emergency response" to fears created abroad by the Likud victory in the recent elections.

His visit to Britain, he said, was to supply proper information on the intentions and policies of the new Israeli administration.

At a press conference with Jewish and Israeli

journalists before he returned home, Olmert asserted that there would be no basic change in the status quo as far as religious matters were concerned and there was no religious significance to the fact that the Agudist leader, Rabbi Lorenz, would head the Knesset Committee on Finance. "There is nothing in the coalition agreement about amending or changing existing laws, not even the Law of Return (which defines who is a Jew with automatic entitlement to

Israeli citizenship). "Begin made it quite clear that on matters of religion, which cut across many parties, including his own, there would be a free vote in the Knesset. "And there will be no initiative by the government for amending the laws on conversion, but some Likud members will of course support legislative changes which they personally favor, should such be introduced by the National Religious Party or Agudat Israel," he said.

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Labor wins election

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

With over 93% of the ballots counted, the Labor Alignment has emerged the clear victor in the Histadrut elections. It won 54.6% of the votes, a drop of about four percent from the 1973 elections. Likud, with 28.8%, scored a six percent gain, but is still clearly a minority party in the trade union federation. The Democratic Movement for Change (DMC), with 8.2%, did slightly better than it appeared

when early returns indicated only seven percent. The Religious Workers list won 1.8%, a 2.5% decline from 1973. The Communists, who seemed to have lost a half percent point, now have 2.9%.

The Independent Liberal Party — Civil Rights movement joint list scored 1.04%, a 4.6% drop and the Sheli faction scored 1.04%, down from 1.7%.

Voter turn-out was good. About 860,000 Histadrut members cast ballots, 65% of those eligible

Cultural leader receives exit visa

NEW YORK (JTA) —

Prof. Benjamin Fain, leader of the attempt to revive Jewish culture in the Soviet Union, has received an exit permit to rejoin his daughter in Israel, the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry and Union of Councils for Soviet Jews reports. The 49-year-old physicist is an editor of the underground journal Tarbut (Culture) and was chairman of last December's unofficial Moscow Symposium on Jewish Culture in the USSR, broken up by the KGB.

In February, Fain unsuccessfully tried to enter the U.S. embassy to give them papers on that meeting. Dr. Josef Begun, who was with him on one attempt, was sentenced to two years' "exile". In recent weeks, Fain was interrogated in the Lefortovo Prison about imprisoned emigration spokesman Anatoly Scharansky.

'Pride in our heritage'

FALLSBERG, NY (JTA) —

A leader of the American Orthodox rabbinate called on all national Jewish organizations and agencies "to establish standards and guidelines of Jewish behavior that would reflect a pride in our heritage and respect for our tradition."

Rabbi Simcha Krauss of St. Louis, Mo., co-chairman of the 41st annual convention of the Rabbinical Council of America, the Orthodox rabbinical group, made his remarks in addressing delegates at the convention here. "It is inconceivable," he said, "to weep over the rate of intermarriage among Jews and then to appoint into leadership roles Jews who are intermarried or rabbis who officiate at the marriages between Jews and non-Jews. It is the height of hypocrisy to speak about Jewish identity and to decry assimilation and, at the same time, project into the forefront of our community those who are undermining the sanctity and survival of the Jewish community."

Similarly, Krauss decried "groups that in their organizational activity violate the sanctity of our heritage by arranging non-kosher functions and violating the Sabbath."

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May the Histadrut under the able leadership of the Labor Party witness the renewal of emphasis on the social idealism which has made Israel an exemplary nation among the nations.

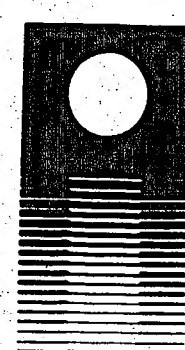
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Basketball stars are standard-bearers for Toronto Maccabiah athletes at Bonds-B'nai B'rith send-off party. (Leo Hausman photo)

Festive 'send-off' reception honors Toronto's Maccabiah athletes

TORONTO —

The flags of Canada and Israel towered high as two basketball stars led the march-in at the gala send-off party on June 21 for the Toronto athletes and coaches leaving shortly to compete in the 10th Maccabiah Games being held in Israel from July 12 to 21.

Toronto B'nai B'rith and State of Israel Bonds were co-sponsors of the community reception, which was held at Beth Tikvah Synagogue and attracted an enthusiastic audience of supporters, relatives and friends of the athletes.

Presentation of a special maple leaf medalion was made to each of the 35 athletes comprising the Toronto contingent among the nearly 100 who make up all the Canadian teams competing in this year's Games.

Program participants at

the reception included Philip G. Givens, chairman; Murray Zeidenberg, president Toronto Regional Council; B'nai B'rith; Israel's Consul General to Toronto, Shmuel Ovnat; Harry Frank, national vice-president, State of Israel Bonds of Canada; and Alex G. Fisher, president, Canadian Maccabiah Games Association, Inc.

Modelled after the Olympics, the games are held every four years, whenever possible the year following the Olympics, and always in Israel. About 35 nations and 2,500 competitors will participate in this world Jewish sports festival.

In recognition of its contributions for many decades to the furtherance of competitive sports, the Maccabi World Union has been classified in 1960 by the International Olympic

Committee as "an International Sports Federation of Olympic Standing". The only other body so honored is the International Students' Sports Organization.

There's a little-known and fascinating story linking Canada with the early history of the Maccabiah movement. It concerns Bruce Brown, a Gentile, born in Stratford, Ont., of Scottish immigrant parents.

While on a trip overseas in 1949, he happened to get acquainted with Pierre Gildesgame, the then chairman of the Maccabi World Union. A great friendship developed, as did his own keen appreciation of the aims and objectives of the Maccabi

idea. Spurred to action, he gathered together a small group of influential and sports-minded people in Montreal and from this developed what later became known as the Canadian Maccabiah Games Committee.

Jack Klein, the former Alouette star, became the first president, and Canada sent its first team of athletes — 28 in number — to the 1950 Games. In 1964, the Canadian Maccabiah Games Association became an incorporated entity, and among the first elected directors was Alex G. Fisher.

A footnote to the Bruce Brown story — he never ceased his active work and support for the Maccabiah Movement in Canada, and even in his will (he died four years ago) left a legacy for the Canadian Association.

Academic exchange a first

By A. J. ARNOLD

WINNIPEG —

The appointment of Shimon Shitreet, Hebrew University law professor, as Canada-Israel fellow at the University of Manitoba for the 1977-78 academic year has been announced by J.C. Gilson, academic vice-president of the university. Shitreet will be a visiting professor in the faculty of law.

This appointment is a joint undertaking of the University of Manitoba and the Canada-Israel Foundation for Academic Exchanges.

The University of Manitoba becomes the first university in Western Canada to join the scholar exchange program between Israel and Canada.

According to Gilson, such an exchange provides "valuable new professional experience for participating scholars and gives students the opportunity to study with distinguished academics who would otherwise be known to them only through their publications."

Prof. Shitreet was born in Morocco in 1946 and emigrated to Israel in 1949. He studied at the Hebrew University and the University of Chicago and also worked and studied in England.

Several years ago he wrote a book called *Judges on Trial* dealing with the personalities of judges and their impact on sentences and based on a study of the English judiciary.

The Manitoba appointment will increase from four to five the number of Canada-Israel exchange fellows who will serve at Canadian universities in the coming year.

The others are Moshe Elath, professor of biblical studies at Hebrew U., to Concordia University, Montreal, department of history; Eleazar Prajs, professor of French literature, Tel Aviv University, to Université de Montreal, department of French studies and Jewish studies

program; Norman Rose, international relations professor, Hebrew U., to Carleton University, Ottawa, department of history, and Gabriel Warburg, former rector and former chairman, department of Middle East history, Haifa University, to York University, department of history.

These new appointments replace Hayyim Barkai, who served during the past year at Carleton's School of International Affairs, Yoram Dinstein, who served in the faculty of law at University of Toronto, David Kushner, who served at Dalhousie University, and Emmanuel Sivan, who was at Université de Montreal.

Plans are now being made to begin sending Canadian scholars to Israeli universities. It is expected that five Canadian academics will travel to Israel during the coming year, says Eugene Rothman, director of the exchange program. But for now they will only be able to spend one or two semesters at Israeli universities, due to language difficulties and other problems.

Financed by private contributions, the Canada-Israel fellow program has become, in the past

three years, "one of the largest non-government academic exchange programs in Canada."

In arranging to bring an exchange scholar from Israel to a Canadian university, the foundation makes a grant to the university which puts up a related amount of money

and then pays the salary and travel expenses for the visiting fellow and his family.

National officers of the foundation are Aaron Pollack of Montreal, president; Walter Bick of Toronto, vice-president and Jack Cummings of Montreal, treasurer.

Shetser to head Soviet Jewry group

TORONTO —

The Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry has a new chairman, Max Shetser, it was announced by Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut, the national president of Canadian Jewish Congress. He succeeds David Satok, who led the committee since June, 1974.

Shetser is presently an international vice-president of B'nai B'rith and chairman of the Canadian Zionist Federation, Central Region. He has been, for many years, vitally interested and involved in the struggle to free the Jews of the Soviet Union and recently attended the leadership seminar of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry held in Washington, D.C.

The Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry is a joint committee representing B'nai B'rith, CZF and CJC. Its offices are located in Toronto and its national director is Samuel Resnick.

Diaspora must help Israel cope with its social problems

PETERBOROUGH —

Diaspora Jewry must help Israel cope with her pressing human needs in areas such as education, immigration, absorption and housing, says Alex Serota, Ontario Region chairman of the United Israel Appeal of Canada.

He was guest speaker at this year's campaign meeting here hosted by Joel and Marnie Moldav-

er. Moldaver is the campaign chairman.

Serota also reviewed the situation regarding Soviet Jewry, and the world's attitude towards Israel, particularly the role of the superpowers.

The large turnout also viewed the Israeli film, *The First Million*. Those not present will be canvassed by the chairman.

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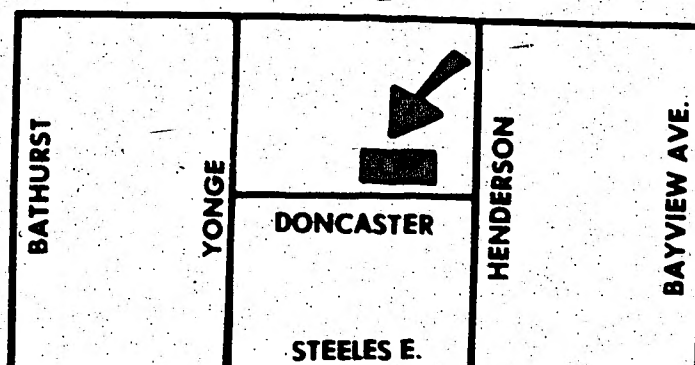
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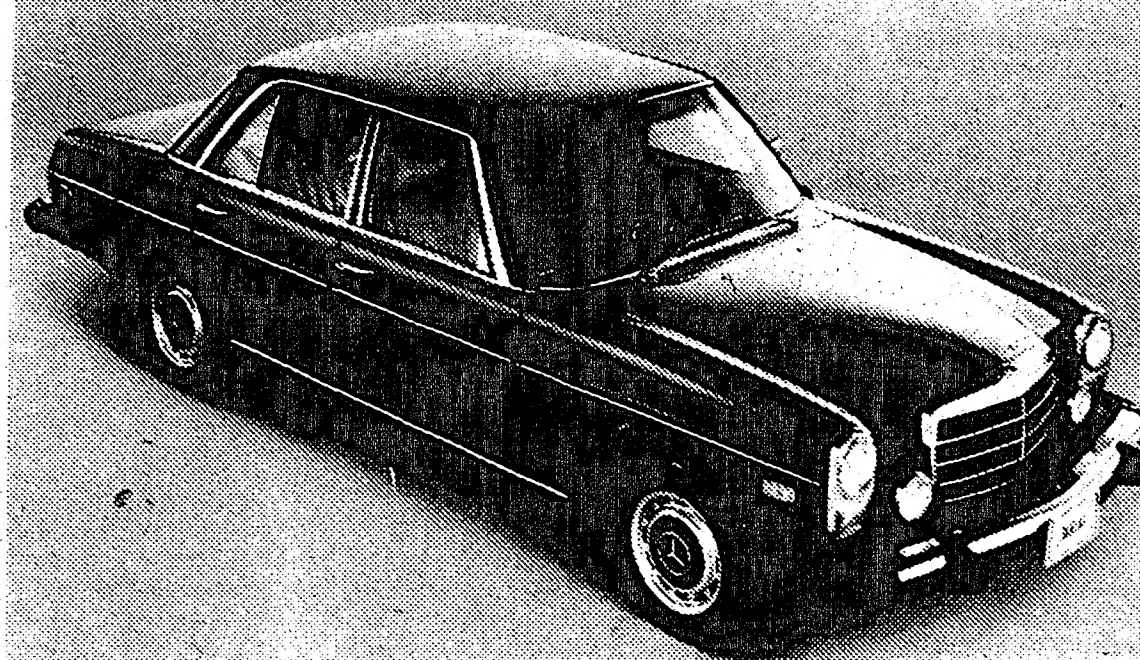
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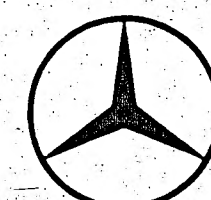


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Widening the rift

Later this year the U.S. Supreme Court is due to hear major civil rights groups argue over the merits and demerits of quotas in higher education. It is an issue high on the agenda of American Jewry because it cuts across class and cultural lines and affects virtually everyone in the community.

Established with the best of intentions, modern-day quotas were instituted by the federal government to give minorities such as Blacks and Hispanics equal educational opportunities. But, like most trumpeted bureaucratic devices, quotas created more problems than they solved. Instead of upholding the constitutional ideals of liberty and equality, quotas placed them in some jeopardy. And instead of creating goodwill, quotas caused bitterness among Blacks and Jews, allies in the civil rights movement of the '50s and '60s.

In an attempt to clarify what is fast becoming a muddled situation, the American Jewish Congress and the Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith have filed Supreme Court briefs opposing numerical quotas for minorities. The case before the judges, the University of California vs. Bakke, arose after a rejected white student sued the medical school for automatically setting aside 16 places of the 100 for minority students. The plaintiff took the action after discovering that minority students with lower marks had been admitted largely on the strength of their ethnic backgrounds.

Long the bane of the Jewish community, quotas are as unattractive now as they were when they were aimed specifically at Jews. Yet it was with the greatest of reluctance that the AJC and the ADL decided to oppose the National Association for the Advance-

ment of Colored People, which intends to file a brief supporting quotas.

It is a pity that the AJC/ADL and the NAACP, which have invariably fought on the same side of the barricades, cannot see eye to eye on so vital a question as quotas. For if the battle lines are not redrawn, the moribund civil rights movement will be torn further apart, and the distance separating the Jewish and Black/Hispanic communities will inevitably widen.

Unless a new formula is found to advance minority opportunities, the rift will grow. Some Blacks, such as Eleanor Norton Holmes, head of the federal Equal Economic Opportunity Commission, realize that quotas are "the shorthand way of dealing with the problem, and most susceptible to constitutional attack." And so, she implies, another method must be devised to advance the interests of minorities.

The AJC suggests special remedial education programs. We would suggest greater federal financial involvement in upgrading the schools in urban core areas.

Joseph Califano, secretary of health, education and welfare, says he does not back "rigid, federally imposed quotas that ignore the abilities of individuals", but almost in the same breath he states the country "must rely on numerical quotas" as benchmarks of progress.

His remarks appear to be contradictory, since the numerical question lies at the heart of the dispute the Supreme Court will rule on. All of us support equal opportunity in education, and indeed it is in our interest to do so. But quotas, with their inherent inequities, should not be the tool with which to fashion a better society.

Service to humanity

Blindness among children under five in the Black African republic of Malawi has been reduced by more than 90% in the 10 years since Israeli physicians launched a remarkable new eye-care program in the young nation.

Dr. David Ben-Ezra, an Israeli eye-specialist who has just completed 14 months working in Malawi, told of the program in an interview. He noted that eye disease was a particularly serious problem at the time of Israel's independence, but that within a decade Israel had virtually eliminated it within its borders.

This success served as a model for Israel's international medical co-operation program, which was launched at the same time. The ophthalmology project alone has provided modern eye care to 40 million people around the world over the past 18 years. Requests for assistance from other countries — particularly from independent republics in Africa — led to Israel's establishing its first eye-care program in Liberia. Two Israeli eye specialists were sent to Liberia to set up a clinic, while two Liberian nurses and a doctor were sent to

Jerusalem for ophthalmological training. The Liberian programs later served as a model for Israel's eye-care programs in Ethiopia, Malawi, Rwanda, Tanzania, Lesotho and Swaziland.

Since 1974, Israel has been providing highly sophisticated training to doctors from countries where ophthalmological services already exist. At present, Jerusalem is hosting students from Haiti, Cyprus, San Salvador and Mexico.

Besides the experience Israel has gained by eradicating blindness among its Arab population, it has learned even more through the absorption of thousands of immigrants, developing excellent programs in the fields of rural health services, public health and related areas. Eager to share the fruits of this experience with developing countries, Israeli experts have participated in establishing blood banks and joint microbiology programs and in founding centres for lung diseases all over the world.

Since 1958, Israel has had no fewer than 551 medical programs operating in 25 countries, an amazing record of service to humanity.

Homespun wisdom

It's been almost 20 years now since Eric Hoffer published the first of a series of pithy comments on the human condition.

Hoffer is the longshoreman-philosopher whose main task in life is to pierce the puffery which surrounds so many of our most hallowed institutions and beliefs.

His views on the human scene are not derived from books nor are they the products of long drawn-out research ventures; they are meditations based on a life of hard toiling mainly on the docks but also in other areas where physical work is required.

For Hoffer nothing is as ludicrous as philosophers who pontificate about the working class, as if they are intimately acquainted with it. The conventional wisdom has it that workers on the assembly line are bored to distraction by the dullness of their work. That, at least, is what sociologists say. Hoffer, who has worked on assembly lines and done other routine kinds of labor, says the experts are all wrong. Routine work can be fulfilling and creative.

As for the Marxists and their patron saint, Karl Hoffer has little respect for their views on labor, either. To the latter, who described a worker as morally debased by work, Hoffer says: "Marx never did a day's work in his life, and never took the trouble to find out how a worker really feels on the job." So much for Marx!

Hoffer is one of those thinkers today who has a genuine affection for the Jewish people. Some would call him a philo-Semite. He has often praised the state of Israel and calls the kibbutz system the finest form of socialism yet devised. He predicts that some day the Soviets will learn about collectivization from the Israelis. A man who senses the ironies of history, Hoffer was among the first to note the transformation of the Jews. "Yesterday, the Jews were the best businessmen and the Japanese were the best warriors. Today the Japanese are the best businessmen and the Jews the best warriors."

The pungency of Hoffer's thought extends also his views of the new order of power that is asserting itself in the modern world. He is unimpressed, for example, with Arab petrodollars. The Arabs, he asserts, may indeed have caused an energy shortage by withholding oil. But the Arabs themselves have a far more serious energy crisis of their own — "the meagre flow of their human energies."

Says Hoffer in a recent collection of essays: "By an ironic twist of history, the nations of the Occident, which 100 years ago ousted the Arab slave traders from the heart of Africa, are now being bled to finance a resurgence of Arab influence."

We eagerly await Hoffer's next collection of homespun wisdom and iconoclasm.

An Israeli assist

The development of solar energy uses to replace imported fossil fuels enjoys a practical boost in the United States through the growing application of Israeli innovations and long practical experience in the field of sun heating for homes and public buildings.

Israel's largest manufacturer and exporter of solar heating panels is Mirovit Ltd. of Tel Aviv. This company has installed tens of

thousands of solar collectors in Israeli homes for more than 20 years. Recently it shipped more than 3,000 of its sun collectors to the United States. It is estimated that these alone will replace 1,200 tons of fuel oil annually.

Israeli know-how in this field is being shared with many other countries, to the benefit of those countries as well as to Israel.

A gifted man for all seasons, tax lawyer Philip Vineberg follows path of family tradition

Story and Drawing
By LOU SELIGSON

Philip Vineberg is a man for all seasons who can accept citations and honors in stride.

So when Israel Bonds named him 'Man of the Year' it was simply another recognition of his wide embrace of leadership in his work and convictions.

Interestingly enough, it took a whole page of close type on the dinner invitation to list only some of Vineberg's accomplishments and activities in his 63 years of living in Montreal. For almost 40 years, after he left McGill University with his law degree, his base has been the firm of Phillips & Vineberg in Montreal, one of the largest and most prestigious in the field of tax and business expertise.

When he joined his uncle's firm (Sen. Lazarus Phillips) Vineberg was following a well-beaten path. "There's a legal tradition in our family," he points out. "I can count 25 relatives who are lawyers and judges in Canada, England and the U.S."

He was born in Mattawa, Ontario, in 1914, but he is quick to point out that he has been a Montrealer since five when his family moved north. He remembers the years of studying Yiddish and Hebrew every day for 2½ hours (three on Sunday) while attending high school, and at first his main interest wasn't law.

At 21, he took an economics degree at McGill and spent a year in Paris writing a thesis on the French franc. "I had an office

in the Bank of France building where I was doing research," he says.

Soon he was in demand as a lecturer at Sir George Williams University and McGill, even as he prepared for his law degree. "I've lectured and taught at McGill for 37 years — until 1968 — without interruption," he says. "I've had thousands of students in my economics, business law and political science classes — and some of them reached high rank in Canada. Both my sons, Robert and Michael, were in my classes. My worst critics."

Today, both are lawyers, part of the 23 in the staff of the big firm, and carrying on the family tradition. "They weren't eager for law despite the tradition," Vineberg says. "I always insisted they work at an early age and they tried everything."

Fluent in French, Vineberg pioneered seminars in taxation at the University of Montreal in 1965 and they are still a mainstay in courses. His articles on taxation and economics have been widely printed in books and magazines; he is a director in numerous corporations; he heads all sorts of professional, university and community organizations and committees; is a frequent advisor to the Canadian government and during the war was economic consultant on price controls.

He is so overwhelmed with work and requests upon his time that one can usually find him Saturday mornings deep into law work in his Place Ville Marie ninth-floor suite of plush offices.

Work seemed to be his middle name until one day when a young rabbi came to him for a yeshiva contribution. "While I was writing out the cheque he was telling me to hurry it up because he was on his way to Palm Beach," Vineberg says. "I looked up at him and decided then and there I was working too hard and we had to take a vacation."

So I called my wife, Miriam, and said — pack up, we're taking a vacation. Since then we've done a lot of travel — Russia, Kenya, Singapore, South Africa, around the world twice. And we took the boys along when we could."

Vineberg likes to get up at seven, take an hour-long walk to his office, all downhill, and usually reaches his desk piled high with formidable amounts of work. "Look at this," he says, peering at his appointment book. "Today, I've got eight different meetings with people and I'll spend at least three hours on the phone, including some conference calls between several cities."

"Another typical day," he says, flipping some pages, "after a prayer breakfast I'll go to court for the rest of the day or I'll have government and client meetings and be away from the office all day."

"I'm in courts more than most because I'm a business lawyer. Then again I won't be in court for maybe three months."

Vineberg tries to get home for dinner but social pressures keep them dining out most of the time. "One of my loves is food," he says. Yet he never diets and manages to keep in good trim.



What happens to those resolutions adopted at Congress plenaries?

By A. J. ARNOLD

What happens to the resolutions that are adopted every three years at the plenary assembly of Canadian Jewish Congress? The cynics, and there are many of them, who say that the resolutions are passed and forgotten, are not too far off the mark. For those who are concerned about the future of Congress as the central body and even the "Parliament" of Canadian Jewry it would be simplistic and self-defeating to leave it at that.

The complete resolutions of the 18th plenary assembly do merit close consideration. To begin, it may be suggested that if Congress is indeed the Parliament of Canadian Jewry then the resolutions may be considered the "legislation" adopted by that Parliament. That interpretation, however, is really an over-simplification.

In the normal democratic process, as we understand it, a Parliament usually adopts as binding legislation only those measures introduced by the government for which it is prepared to recommend the expenditure of funds.

At a Congress plenary assembly any delegate may introduce a resolution which, if it has popular support, will be adopted. No resolution, however, is clearly designated in advance as a "government measure". Therefore, the national executive, which is the governing body or "cabinet" of Congress, has the obligation of deciding which resolutions shall be regarded as "government measures."

While many of the policies and programs advocated in the resolutions do become the subject of discussion and action by the national executive it appears that the resolutions are not usually given specific study and consideration by the Congress governing body. This conclusion is based on the fact that at the last number of plenary assemblies a resolution has been adopted on "Implementation of Resolutions" but this resolution itself has not been acted upon.

In 1974, for example, at the 17th plenary assembly, there was a resolution adopted which pointed out that the 16th plenary assembly had called for regular progress reports on implementation of resolutions but "no such reports had been given."

It, therefore, called on the national executive to appoint a committee of officers to monitor "all resolutions which call for action by Congress" and asked that the president of Congress report on these resolutions "at least quarterly in the Congress Bulletin."

There is no evidence that such a committee of officers was appointed and publication of the Congress Bulletin was suspended after the 1974 plenary assembly.

This does not mean that no action was

taken on the resolutions and that no reports were made. It does appear, however, that the recommended procedure was not followed.

Of course, if one examines the published reports prepared for the 18th plenary assembly it is possible to find out what Congress has been doing in such areas as Soviet Jewry, Jews in Arab lands, religious affairs, community relations, and the Yiddish language. These might be considered reports on earlier resolutions relating to these areas.

One important area not covered in the recent published reports is that of Jewish education, which is always the subject of more than one resolution at the plenary.

Whether these reports are adequate or

not it is clear that many delegates are dissatisfied with the way in which resolutions are dealt with in between plenary assemblies. This is apparent from the adoption of a new resolution at the Montreal plenary calling for the assignment of a national officer to prepare a report for the next plenary on the disposition of resolutions and to give reasons for any non-implementation.

The preparation of such a report would be very helpful but the report on the disposition of resolutions of the last plenary should really be circulated several months before the next national gathering to give interested groups and delegates more soundly based resolutions for the next assembly.

Diaspora's affluent Sonnenborn Institute helped keep afloat precarious yishuv



Landmark
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By ROCHELLE CARR

It was a hot day in New York City. Despite the discomfort, a group of affluent North

American Jewish men gathered in New York to hear an important message delivered to them in person by David Ben-Gurion.

They assembled in the posh home of businessman Rudolph G. Sonnenborn on Sunday, July 1, 1945.

The message Ben-Gurion delivered took the better part of the day. With the smoldering ashes of World War II almost completely out, the world would now be given a chance to look at other problems, he told the distinguished and affluent men sitting around him on the plush sofas and chairs. The question of a Jewish homeland in Palestine would surely come up before the world leaders.

He also warned his attentive audience that when the chance came for the creation

of a Jewish state, the Arabs would most likely attack the Jewish community in Palestine. Consequently, he concluded, the Jews in the Holy Land needed financial support from their brethren in North America, not only to continue the operations of Mossad L'Aliyah Beth ("illegal" immigration into Palestine), but also to buy arms for the day when the Jews would need to defend their new state.

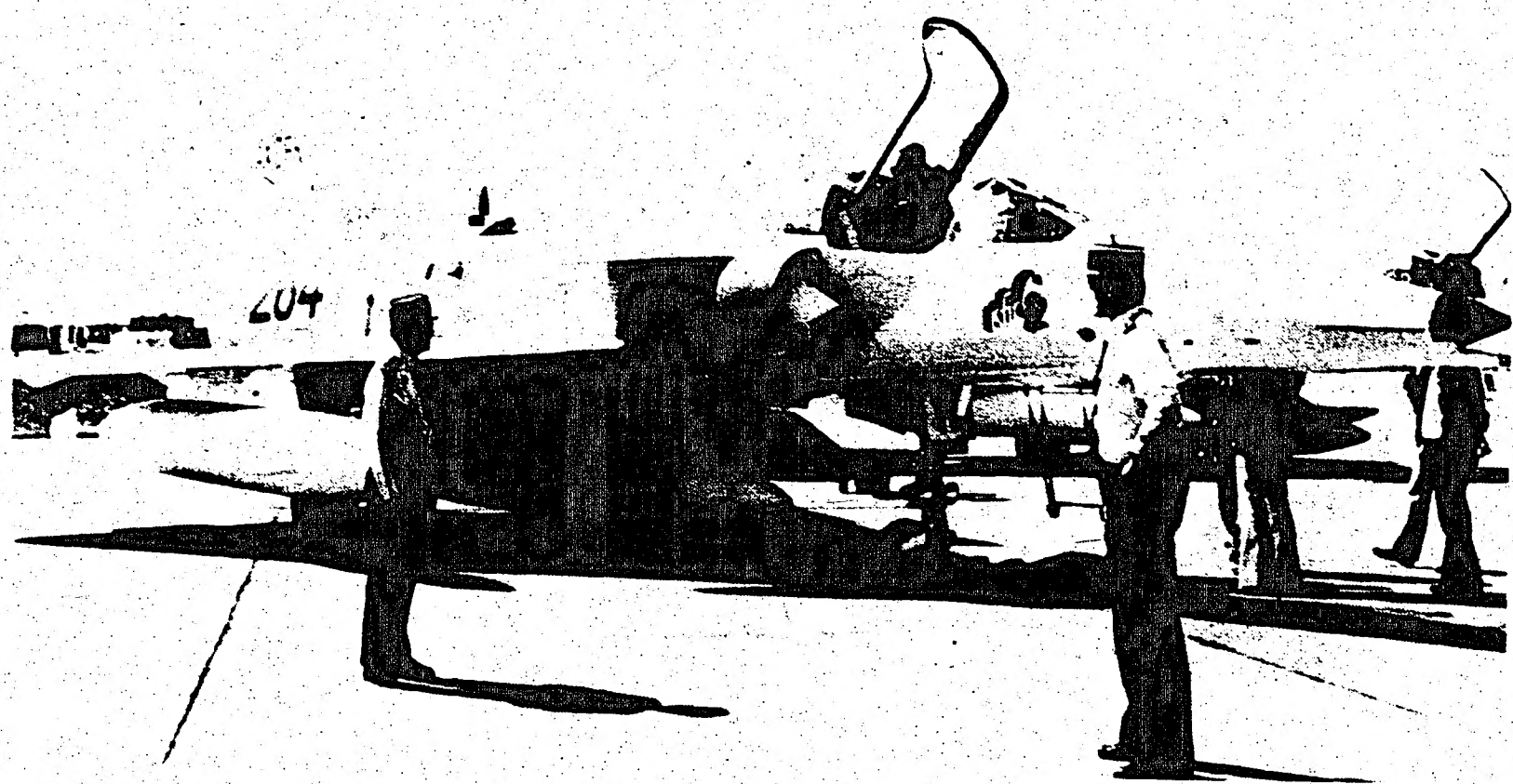
All those present promised to help, swore to the secrecy of the undertaking and stated they would await Ben-Gurion's call when their services were needed. They did not wait long. In November, when the British became more strict over immigration into Palestine, they were notified by Ben-Gurion that the time for their help had come.

Headed by Sonnenborn, the group, which began meeting very frequently over lunch, was soon dubbed the Sonnenborn Institute. Basically, they planned, with the utmost discretion, how to raise money all across North America for the needs of Palestine's Jews.

Baltimore-born Sonnenborn, whose family's financial interests included an oil and chemical firm, was well qualified for his leadership role. He had been attracted to Zionism even before the outbreak of World War I, in which he served as a navy pilot. His Zionist ties were strengthened at the end of the war when he became a member of a Zionist Commission on Palestine.

Sonnenborn's financial and personal connections, as well as those of the other members of the Sonnenborn Institute, proved useful beyond the fund-raising stage. With their help, the road was often made slightly easier when members of the yishuv (the Jewish community in Palestine) began purchasing arms and ships, such as the famous Exodus.

And, during that spring day in May, 1948, when the Israeli flag fluttered in the breeze proclaiming the birth of the Jewish state, the Sonnenborn Institute members rejoiced, but they did not disband. As a group and, later, as individuals, they continued their efforts to send all types of supplies to the state they so devotedly worked to help establish.

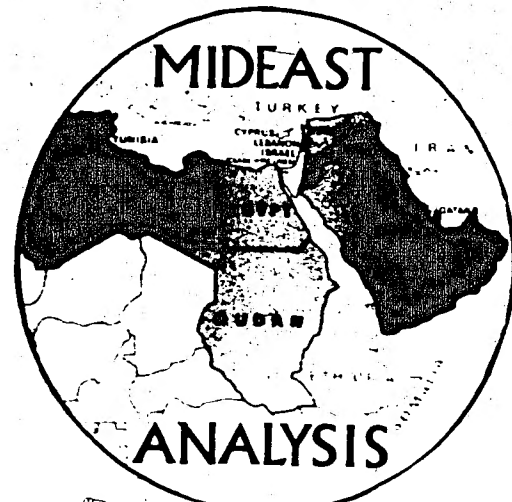


'FIGHTER' MAKES PARIS DEBUT

Two French gendarmes inspect a newly arrived, Israeli-made Kfir C-2 jet fighter-bomber at Le Bourget Airport in Paris. The airplane which was exhibited during the large annual international air show, had never been seen before on display outside the limits of Israel.

World criticism hasn't arrested evolving ties

Israeli-S. African friendship strongest ever



By SHELDON KIRSHNER

When the South African prime minister paid a semi-official visit to Israel last spring, he declared during a trip to Sharm el-Sheikh that "relations with Israel have never been so good."

The presence of John Vorster at Sharm el-Sheikh, the first and only time a world leader has visited this remote southern Sinai outpost since the Six Day War, signified that South African-Israeli relations had taken a turn for the better. And the subsequent agreement signed by the two countries to set up a joint ministerial committee on economic and trade co-operation was also symbolic of the unusual warmth that has crept into their relationship.

Though self-interest obviously motivates South Africa to press for closer ties with the Jewish state, the Afrikaners who govern the country have always felt a spiritual affinity for Israel and Zionism.

Field Marshal Jan Christiaan Smuts, twice premier, was an early supporter of Zionism, and developed a lasting friendship with Chaim Weizmann, the first president

of Israel. South Africa voted for the 1947 partition plan and supported Israel at international forums, though Jerusalem was invariably at odds with Pretoria over apartheid. South-west Africa and Rhodesia. South African officials like to make an analogy between the trek of the Afrikaner pioneers from the Cape of Good Hope into the interior and the exodus of the Jews from Egypt to the Promised Land. And so it was no coincidence that Prime Minister Vorster, a professing Christian, characterized his trip to Israel as "the fulfilment of an ambition to stand at the Lake of Galilee...to go to Bethlehem and the other holy places."

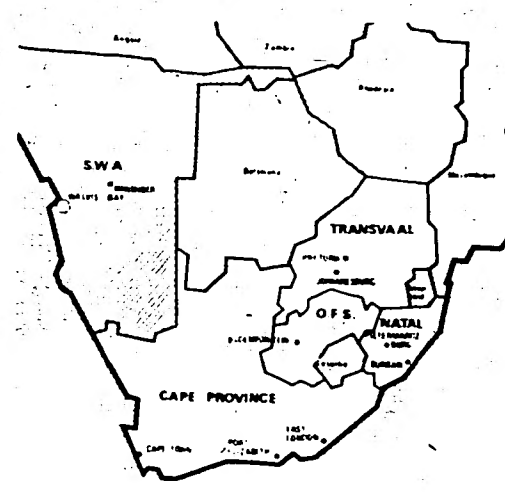
Clearly, many Afrikaners regard the creation of the third Jewish commonwealth as a fulfilment of biblical prophecy; and those who have no use for the Bible justify the Israeli connection by pointing out the "similarities": both countries are bastions of European civilization surrounded by hostile enemies and both are bulwarks against Soviet expansionism.

In material terms, Israel has benefited from the relationship. From a public relations viewpoint, however, Israel's image has been slightly tarnished by being associated with a repressive state that champions Nazi-like race doctrines.

Because Jerusalem is acutely aware that its developing ties with South Africa are criticized by even its closest friends, Israel's previous Labor government embarked upon a "reassessment" of its relations with that outcast nation.

The consensus in the Labor Party was that Israel should tone down its relationship with the white supremacist regime, if only to mollify the sensibilities of the moralistic Carter administration.

However, Menachem Begin's rightist Likud government will probably choose to accentuate Israel's evolving ties with Pretoria. The diplomatic writer of The Jerusalem Post has provided a rationalization for such a policy. As he put it: "Plainly, Israel's adversaries among the Arabs and



the Communists have deliberately played up Jerusalem's links with Pretoria — even though those links are no firmer or broader than those of many countries with South Africa."

There are basically two reasons why the government will cultivate South Africa relations: politically, Israel has little to gain by spurning South Africa when the black African states show no interest in re-establishing their embassies in Jerusalem. Economically, South Africa is a rich market for Israeli manufactured goods ranging from chemicals to arms, while South Africa is a valuable source of such raw materials as diamonds, coal and steel.

Thus, ever since South Africa and Israel raised their consular relations to the ambassadorial level after the Yom Kippur War, trade has boomed. Last year it reached the \$97 million mark, excluding the exchange of arms, which constitutes the biggest single trade item. Israel denies it is selling arms, but recent reliable reports in the Western press indicate that Pretoria is buying large quantities of weaponry.

The close ties Israel has forged with South Africa in the last three years is also a function of Jerusalem's desire to gain access to the funds raised by the big, prosperous Jewish community there.

Since the 1973 conflict, the Nationalist government has permitted South African Jews to invest in Israel. Before the war, Pretoria displayed a less generous attitude toward the transfer of such funds.

Two years after Israel's declaration of statehood, the South African foreign minister threatened the Jews with retribution if they did not convince Israel to change its pro-African foreign policy. And in 1971, after Israel contributed \$2,000 to the Organization of African Unity's liberation committee, Pretoria briefly halted the flow of Jewish donations to Israel.

For Israel and South African Jewry, those bad old days are clearly a part of the past, and it appears that Jerusalem has every intention of consolidating its growing relationship with Pretoria — criticism or no criticism from its friends and enemies.



South African Prime Minister John Vorster (left) lights up Yitzhak Rabin during his visit to Israel last year. Ties between two countries have grown closer over the years. With Menachem Begin's right-wingers at the helm, the ties will likely be accentuated.

Letters to the Editor

Reader suggests ways to lure back yordim

Dear Editor:

Nearly a million Israelis and their dependents live outside Israel. Israeli officials and their propaganda organs put their number at 250,000 — Jews that left Israel since the creation of the state in 1948.

But taking into consideration the hundreds of thousands of Israelis who left home as tourists and appear in statistics as such, their number has surely increased.

Israeli consulates around the world, complying with guidelines from Jerusalem, have shunned their own citizens, criticizing them for leaving Israel, treating them with disrespect, and disdain. In 1976, even the previous prime minister, Yitzhak Rabin, insulted them, in vulgar language.

Many times an Israeli abroad was treated in his own consulate as a tolerated intruder, addressed as "comrade" instead of "mister", as if he was in one of the Histadrut union offices operated by the socialist labor government. Politeness and manners were qualities unknown to these foreign office officials.

To lure Israelis back home, the new government should:

Grant fundamental international immigrant rights to these Israelis that after five years' absence wish to resettle in Israel. All personal and household effects including a car — customs duties and taxes exempt. We already paid taxes for our household effects in the country we live in, why should we pay taxes again? This will mean double taxation. This program may be code-named "Clemency for Yordim" and will ultimately greatly benefit Israel.

Hundreds of thousands of Israelis are living in prosperous countries, with the highest standard of living. They can contribute their experience in all phases of life. Academics, the university graduates, doctors, engineers, accountants, computer programmers, scientists — they paid for their studies. To bring back these people will be an enormous brain investment for Israel.

Israelis residing overseas, visiting Israel, should have the option of using either the Israeli or their new foreign passport. Now Israelis must use only their Israeli passports, wasting precious time to obtain the famous Israeli travel tax exemption to which they are entitled anyway.

These visits are also pilot tours that may determine his or her decision to return to Israel for good. I hope the new government will make their visits as pleasant as possible with minimum of harassment by customs and immigration.

An office should be created for the benefit of those that have decided or are planning to leave Israel. There, the prospective emigrants will be asked what bothers them, do they need a change of job, affordable housing, or help to solve their personal problems; asking them to reconsider before finally making up their minds.

If Israelis overseas are considered army reserves, they should be granted the right to vote. Call Israelis back home, for conventions, conferences, seminars, to discuss immigration problems with officials of various government offices.

Immigration is the main issue of Israel. There are nearly two million Arabs in Israel, the occupied West Bank and the Gaza strip, nearly three million Jews. There is reason to believe that in the year 2000 Israel's Jewish population will shrink to two million. Nearly two million Israelis will be living permanently outside Israel, and Arabs living in Israel's occupied territories and Israel will total over three million.

Israelis leaving their homeland have created an enormous brain-drain. For Israel and its people Menachem Begin's new government might well be the beginning of a new era. Let his message to the Israelis residing abroad be short and clear: "Come back home, brother."

Philip Metz,
Toronto

Dear Editor:

The letter of the representatives of the Canadian Polish Association, Messrs. Szpikowski and Gertler, is not the most ingenious, as it was described in the June 10 edition of your paper.

Wrong, the description is most shameful. The Germans would never have been able to carry out even 50% of their atrocities against the Jews, if it were not for the help of the Polish population. The day after the German invasion of the city where I lived out, "Polish brothers" placed on the windows and doors of the houses and apartments holy pictures and crosses, to make the identification of Jewish homes easier for the Germans.

I can still visualize how "those brothers" stood beside the rivers of Jewish blood, which were left in the streets after a massacre action on June 11, 1942 with laughter and joyous remarks about getting rid of the Jews.

In the area of Poland where I lived the price for a delivered Jew to the Gestapo was not higher than one kilogram of sugar, but that did not keep our Polish brothers from hunting for them and delivering.

Do you, Messrs. Szpikowski and Gertler, think that we should tell our children to love those who were responsible for the deaths of the grandparents, aunts and uncles whom they never had or knew?

Sabinow Krulko,
Toronto

Dialogue

Dear Editor:

I appreciate, and agree with the theme of your editorial entitled "Bringing True Faith" in the June 3 issue of Canadian Jewish News. Although we Christians have an obligation to witness to our faith, we also have a commitment to act in ways which reflect Christ's rule of love in all our relationships with our brothers and sisters who are part of God's creation.

In serious, Christian-Jewish theological dialogue I have found that each group can show honor and respect for each other, while at the same time expressing and sharing its particular understanding of truth and faith. Indeed, such is a greater witness to my understanding of God's concern for his people than the often insensitive and hurtful proselytism carried on by Christian groups anxious simply to convert Jews to Christianity.

Interfaith encounter can help us grow into a more mature understanding of our own faith, and can help with the very deep issues in society and politics where misunderstandings and stereotypes often prevail. In spite of the activities of some Christian groups, I hope the door to dialogue and interfaith encounter will not be closed.

The Rev. J.B. Boyles, ecumenical officer,
The Anglican Church of Canada,
Toronto

Scharansky

Dear Editor:

I take this opportunity to correct a factual error that crept into your June 10 article dealing with the retaining of Joseph Pomerant of Toronto to assist the Soviet Jewish activist, Anatoly Scharansky, presently under arrest in the USSR.

Mr. Pomerant acts in this matter for the Canadian Committee of Lawyers and Jurists for Soviet Jewry as well as for a number of deeply concerned Toronto relatives of Mr. Scharansky. While the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry, which represents Canadian Jewish Congress, the Canadian Zionist Federation and

B'nai B'rith, wholly approves and endorses the humanitarian and legal efforts being extended to the accused by Mr. Pomerant and his firm, the said Canadian Committee has not retained this eminent law firm nor do they act on its behalf.

In reference to the attendance of foreign barristers at Soviet trials, it must be noted that, in at least one case, the trial of Viktor Polesky, an American attorney was allowed to be present although he played no role in the trial proceedings.

While the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry does not wish to challenge any of the comments in the article of June 10, it must be stated that some of the statements made appear to be personal conclusions. Anatoly Scharansky has been for many years a leader of the aliyah movement in Moscow along with Vladimir Slepak, Ida Nudel and others. He was refused an exit visa to emigrate to Israel many times. He has stated over and over again, in writing, on the telephone and to visitors that he is a Jew wishing to join his wife Natalya in Israel and to be repatriated to his homeland — all in accordance with Soviet law. It is this failure to provide Scharansky with what legally belongs to him and to every Soviet citizen which is the crux of his campaign.

That Scharansky joined with other Soviet citizens in the Helsinki Monitoring Committee is a sign of his desperation as well as his humanity. That Scharansky has been threatened with treason (the charge has strangely not been officially laid) is evidence of the desire of the Soviet authorities with one blow to smash the dissidents in the USSR, the majority of whom have been expelled or imprisoned and to discredit the Jewish emigration movement which, in spite of attacks and harassment, continues to flourish in the climate of official Soviet anti-Semitism.

Anatoly Scharansky has been made a pawn and, as Mr. Pomerant correctly described him, a Jewish scapegoat. However, as much as Scharansky and all Jews, in the Soviet Union and in the western world, understand and sympathize with the

aims and desires of the heroic Andrei Sakharov, our goal as exemplified by this committee and like-minded groups everywhere is to obtain the freedom of all Jewish Refuseniks and Prisoners of Conscience and to assist them in their struggle to leave the Soviet Union at the earliest possible moment.

Samuel Resnick, national director,
Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry

Material missed

Dear Editor:

In the issue of May 27, 1977, The Canadian Jewish News published an article by Dr. Alexander Brown, touching on the history and ideology of the Associated Hebrew Schools, on the occasion of its 70th jubilee year.

The article as published was an abbreviated version of what had been written. In the process of editing, some material was omitted, including the names of some key figures who made important contributions to the development of the Associated and deserve to be recognized in such a survey. Those individuals served the school with great enthusiasm and devotion over many years.

Associated regrets these omissions and is hopeful that a future occasion will provide an opportunity to redress this inequity. At the same time, we wish to express our sincere gratitude to all those who in the past have given dedicated service to the cause of Jewish education, and to those who continue to do so today.

Samuel Shainhouse, president,
Associated Hebrew Schools

The Canadian Jewish News welcomes letters from its readers, but asks they be kept as brief as possible.

Anti-army film upsets Israelis

By NECHEMIA MEYERS

REHOVOT —

An Israeli war hero has just made Israel's first implicitly anti-army film.

The hero is Yehuda Neeman, who was decorated for bravery while serving as a doctor with a company of paratroopers much like the one depicted in his new film, *Stretcher Drill*.

Unpretentious but powerful, *Stretcher Drill* focuses on an ultra-sensitive young man who volunteers for service with the paratroopers, but isn't emotionally sturdy enough to withstand the pressures and indignities of basic training in that elite unit. Driven to desperation, he loses self-control and is killed by his own hand-grenade during a practice attack.

Director Neeman says it is "ridiculous" to suggest that *Stretcher Drill* is an anti-army film. "In point of fact," he declares, "I'm not even against the tough training methods used by the army, methods which have proven themselves time and again on the battlefield. It is only that I have tried to show the problems that arise because the army expects every recruit to meet the same challenges, and that just isn't possible."

When Neeman turned to the army for technical assistance in making the film, at



Nechemia Meyers

first the military authorities tried to convince him to insert some changes in the script. Perhaps the whole story could be transferred to another, non-military setting or, alternatively, to a foreign army. If that wasn't possible, perhaps the troubled young paratrooper could die a hero's death rather than being killed in a training accident (which might even be seen as a suicide).

The director refused these suggestions and the army in turn refused to help him. However, Neeman was able to coax some equipment out of the Border Police and to put together his own, convincingly authentic military unit made up of several dozen recently discharged paratroopers and a few professional actors.

This turn of authenticity has not saved *Stretcher Drill* from being criticized by many people here, who argue that it simply isn't right — when everyone has a son, husband or father serving in the army — to screen such a "depressing" film. They would rather have more movies like *Operation Thunderbolt*, the locally made version of the Entebbe rescue operation.

In *Operation Thunderbolt* all the soldiers are heroes; in *Stretcher Drill* there are also anti-heroes.

Both, of course, are honest in their own way, but *Stretcher Drill* may have special merit in presenting a painful problem that has hitherto been virtually ignored, the problem of those "weaklings" who can't meet the exacting standards of Israeli manhood in the 1970s.

Organizations and People

what's new...

BY MIRIAM HERMAN



FRIENDS ACROSS THE SEA

School may be out, but here's a school story that is worth telling — This past year, the bulletin board in grade 3 classroom at Ellwood Memorial Public School in Bolton read "Our Friends in Israel". It seems that, when the students didn't know where to find Israel on the map, they decided on a week-long study of that country. With resource materials supplied by school librarian Dolores Nicholls, who had toured Israel last summer, they saw slides, learned Israeli songs and dances, cooked Israeli food, set up a model of a kibbutz, and made a presentation to grades 5 and 6 which included a skit on Masada they wrote themselves. The study led to correspondence with grade 5C in Be'er Katznelson School in Givatayim, Israel. The youngsters compared products, prices, climate, national holidays. At Ellwood, there was a box on teacher Jack Conway's desk for newspaper items, post cards, hockey cards, maps, photos, booklets...anything they wanted to send to 5C in Israel. Rachel Sagee, a Sabra living in Toronto and a classroom visitor, acted as translator between the two schools. As Mrs. Nicholls notes, there was not one Jewish child in the school. So anything Jewish was new to them.

CONGRESS RESEARCH PROJECT

Canadian Jewish Congress Central Region has received a grant from Experience '77 of the Ontario Ministry of Culture and Recreation for a summer research project. Two students have been taken on staff, on a part-time basis, to accumulate a store of songs and musical materials from the Toronto Jewish aged community. Batseva Paul will be interviewing residents of geriatric institutions as well as those living at home, to assemble as much material as can be recalled by senior citizens. These interviews will be transcribed, with the assistance of Deena Bernholtz, and be produced by Congress in printed form. The project is under the direction of the Yiddish and Archives Committees, and administered by staff member Samuel Resnick.

ABOUT BB WOMEN

Toronto's B'nai B'rith Women's Council honored approximately 250 women at their annual awards night dinner at Beth Tikvah Synagogue recently, with special awards going to top community service volunteers and fund-raisers in each of the 19 local chapters. Receiving the service awards were Anne Kronis, Sandy Cohen, Adele Kuperstein, Mary Yuchman, Idella Herbert and Sharon Tenhouse. Top fund-raisers were Lil Nyman, Marilyn Siegel, Min Stenzler and Anita Drenfeld. Council board member Rochelle Eisen chaired the event. Chaverim Chapter, the newly-formed chapter for single and married women in the 20-26 age bracket, is open for membership. They are planning a get-together for sometime this month, so if you are interested, call Renee at 226-2244 after 6 p.m.

SCOUT TROOP

For 10-14-year-old boys interested in outdoor activities — camping, swimming, canoeing, archery and hiking — there's a summer program being run by Beth Tzedec Synagogue's scout troop. The person to call is Dave Epstein at 869-1697.

CANTOR'S CONVENTION

The Cantorial Council of America held its 17th annual convention at Melbourne Hotel, Ellenville, N.Y., this past week. The theme of the conference was **The Cantor as He Functions and Officially on Special Ritual Occasions**. Among the participants was Cantor Ben Zion Miller of Toronto's Shaarei Tefillah Congregation. The Council is composed of graduates of the Cantorial Training Institute of Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, an affiliate of Yeshiva University.

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

At their closing luncheon at Baycrest Terrace two weeks ago, members of Hebrew Weston Charitable Services reported contributions to various projects, including a substantial sum to Co-ordinated Services to Jewish Elderly towards their meals-on-wheels program, the anti-tubercular clinic in Israel, and the chronically ill and tubercular patients at the Weston Sanitarium Hospital.

SUMMER SERMONS

Bnai Israel Beth David Congregation's annual summer sermon project (lay persons delivering the sermon) begins this Saturday, July 2, and continues each Shabbat morning through to Aug. 27. Morris Flicht gives this week's sermon, followed by Martin Park, Barry Muroff, Max Goody, Mendel Arbuck, Alan Silverstein, Glenn Cohen, Micki Brudner and Saul Morganstein.

SINGLES DANCE

The Modern Singles (23-45) of the Labor Zionist Alliance will be dancing to the Rosewood Rock Band this Sunday, the 3rd, from 8:30 on, at 12 Viewmont Ave.

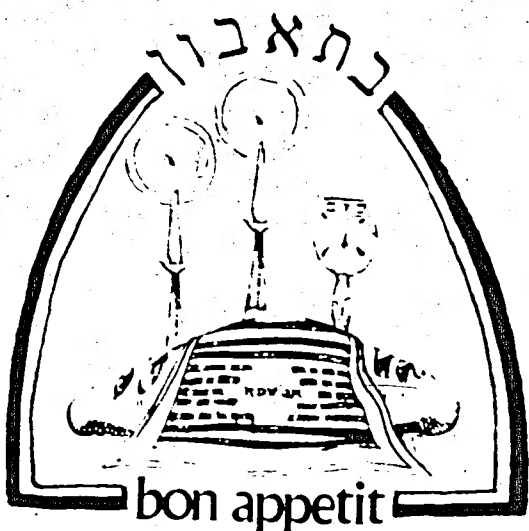
OTTAWA RADIO PROGRAM

The Ottawa Jewish community has its own radio program. The Jewish Program of Ottawa airs every Sunday from 12:30 to 1 p.m. on CJET-FM, 101.1 on the FM band. Hosted by Rabbi Mordecai Berger of Young Israel, it focuses on Jewish music, pertinent issues, current events and interviews with local and national people of note.

ISRAEL CATALOGUE

The new Israel photograph catalogue produced by the North American office of the Israel Ministry of Tourism is available for distribution. Wholesale tour operators as well as travel agents can order the catalogue by writing the Israel Government Tourist Office, 102 Bloor St. W., Suite 790, Toronto, Ont. M5S 1M8.

Israeli cuisine welcomes Balkan burekas



Burekas

2 lbs. frozen flaky pastry, thawed
1/2 lb. pkg. frozen minced spinach, thawed
2 med. onions, chopped finely
1 fat clove garlic, crushed
1/4 cup margarine
1 tblsp. flour
1/2 glass water
1/2 tsp. soup powder (pareve)
pinch nutmeg
salt, and freshly ground black pepper
2 eggs
1/4 tsp. salt white cheese
sesame seeds

1. melt margarine and cook onions and garlic until soft but not colored. Add flour and soup powder, then stirring rapidly, add water. Cook 5 mins. then add spinach, lemon juice, salt and pepper and nutmeg and cook a further 5 mins. Allow to cool in a bowl, then add 1 egg and cheese, crumbled finely. The filling is now ready

2. roll out pastry, a little at a time, until paper-thin. Cut into strips 2 1/2" x 7". Place 1 heaped tsp. filling in top right-hand corner of strip. Fold that corner down diagonally to meet opposite side, and continue folding diagonally to opposing sides until you end up with a compact triangle. Repeat until all the pastry and filling are used up.

3. Place burekas on greased baking sheets, paint with the other egg beaten up with a few drops of water, and scatter with sesame seeds. Either freeze until needed, or bake right away at 375° for 1-1 1/2 hrs., or until a deep gold color. Serve right away. Yield: approx. 40 N.B. Fillings of cheese only, are equally popular. Try using 3/4 lb. salt, white cheese, mixed with grated, hard yellow cheese, 1 egg, salt and pepper, and a little dill, if wished.

Shabbat Shalom!

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By MARCIA KRETZMER JERUSALEM —

Looking for some new snack to serve with drinks at a party, or with a relaxed aperitif before dinner?

If you've lost interest in the inevitable dips, find wontons and plum sauce too fussy to make, and don't like to put guests to the embarrassment of managing mushroom vol-au-vent without plates, knives and forks, then burekas may be what you are seeking.

Burekas is (are?) a Balkan specialty: a hot, puffily, melt-in-the-mouth triangle of flaky pastry, scattered with sesame seeds, and filled with melted cheese or spinach.

Originally the proud possession of the Greek, Turkish, Yugoslav, and

Bulgarian communities in Israel, the popularity of burekas has now made them part of the culinary heritage of all Israelis, and an authentic Israeli food.

Hand-span size burekas are often purchased from kiosks and consumed on the way to work, or during coffee breaks. Miniature, bite-sized burekas are ordered in quantity for family celebrations. But they

can be made at home very easily and with great success.

While somewhat time-consuming to prepare, they can be made up well ahead of time and frozen prior to baking. One-and-a-half hours before guests are expected, they can be placed in a moderately hot oven, and served piping hot, for an ideal party treat.

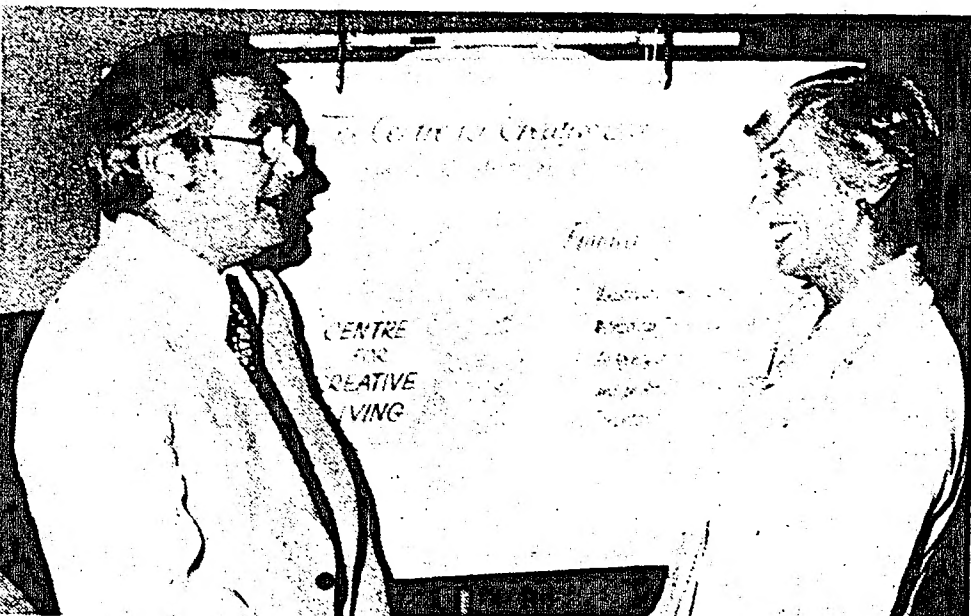
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Gordon Atlin, president of the Centre for Creative Living, chats with his predecessor, Gloria Strom, at the annual meeting at centre's new quarters on Hove St.

Atlin heads seniors centre

TORONTO —

Gordon Atlin was elected president of the Centre for Creative Living at the agency's annual meeting last week. He succeeds founding president Gloria Strom, who moves up to become chairman of the board. The centre is an affiliate agency of Toronto Jewish Congress.

In his report to the annual meeting, the first to be held in the centre's new quarters on Hove Street, Atlin, who last year headed the program development committee, emphasized the growth in the number and variety of activities available to the agency's membership of senior citizens.

"The increase in membership from 1,400 in 1975 to 1,703 in 1976 required a considerable reorganization of staff, volunteers and programs to respond to the needs and demands that emerged," he reported. "Fortunately, the move to the new expanded facilities last September made it possible for us to provide the needed programs and services."

Atlin told the meeting that there are 170 volunteers who work with staff in implementing the variety of programs offered. Arts and crafts classes doubled to 15 a week in the past year and special events — travels, outings, day trips, theatre visits — numbered 44 in 1976 as compared to 31 the previous year.

Primary among the sup-

port services is the kosher lunch provided daily to members. In 1976 an average of 123 people per day took advantage of this service, which is subsidized by the TJC.

A number of educational courses have been developed. Atlin, reported, and are being presented in partnership with other agencies, sponsored by the King campus of Seneca College "College without Walls."

Many of the other services available to the centre's members this year

were income tax, legal information and swine flu clinics, with the respective co-operation and assistance of the Ontario Association of Chartered Accountants, Osgoode Hall, University of Toronto and the Department of Public Health.

Executive Director Rhea Shulman reported that the centre is concerned with the proposed legislation by the federal government regarding welfare assistance and the effect it will have on senior centres.

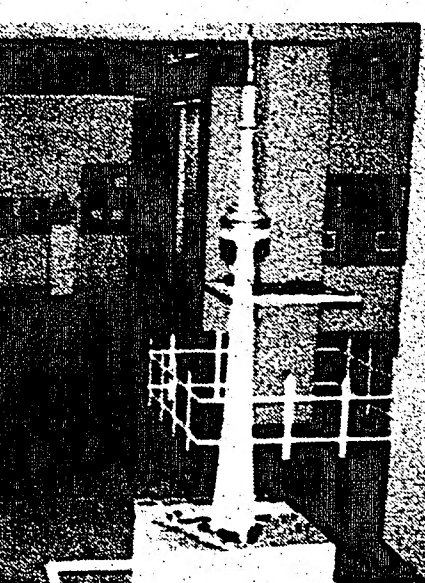
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...about people



Model of CN Tower by Leslie Mann.

Just graduated from Sheridan College of Applied Arts and Technology, **Leslie Mann** is already making a name for himself. The 20-year-old son of **Philip and Bertha Mann** constructed an exact replica of the CN Tower, complete with flashing lights, revolving restaurant and elevators. It is on exhibit at the Art Gallery of Ontario till the end of the month. Made of plastic and wood, the model stands seven feet, six inches high and took the young artist three months to build — part at school and part at home. Claiming it his biggest achievement so far, the model has attracted wide interest and is going to Paris in November for an exhibition there.

You will be interested to know that Prof. **Irvine Glass**' book, **Shock Waves and Man**, has recently been translated into Russian at the request of the Russian scientific establishment. Six thousand copies were sold out in a matter of weeks after its publication. When Prof. Glass, who is with the University of Toronto Institute for Aerospace Studies, received payment in American dollars, as stipulated in the contract, it was the first time royalties had been paid to a North American scientific author. Another first is the fact that passages from the Talmud have been included in a Russian scientific text. They appear in the original book, and the provision for publication called

for an exact translation, allowing for no omissions.

Yitzhak Sagee, director of the Israel Aliyah Centre for Ontario, is returning to Israel after a two-year stint at the Toronto-based headquarters. One of those responsible for the successful Israeli Quiz run in The CJN, he has seen the province's aliyah statistics increase during his term from 102 persons in 1975 to 151 in 1976, with 76 already recorded for the first six months of this year. All of which he attributes to a combination of "pull from Israel and push from here". He says, too, that he is pleased to have participated in the discussions which led to an agreement to create an Israeli centre at the 'Y', even if he won't be here for the Oct. 1 opening. He and his family — wife Rachel and three children — are leaving in mid-August for Rishon le-Zion, near Tel Aviv. From there they are considering going to a settlement in Samaria.

Jacob Perlman was chairman of the board of education and treasurer of Beth Jacob High School and Teachers College. Following his sudden death last week at the age of 69, the board decided to dedicate the Beth Jacob Teachers College in his memory. A survivor of the Holocaust who came to Canada about 20 years ago, he headed up his own hardwood flooring company. The dedication will take place following the 30 days of mourning.

The Warshaver-Lodger Society found a unique way to convey get-well wishes to their president **Daniel Geist**, who has been in hospital. At a Bond breakfast on June 12, fellow members of the landsmanshaften purchased \$10,000 in Israel Bonds in his honor. Mr. Geist was 1975 recipient of the Israel Bond Award for outstanding service. The breakfast was a preliminary to their annual major Bond event scheduled for the fall.

Those charming talented youngsters who entertained the Holy Blossom alumni recently were capably directed by **Phyllis Weisfeld**, daughter of alumnus **Hortense Goldsaler**. The children, five-year-olds from Hillcrest Progressive School, just "graduated" this June.

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Organizations and People



Aaron Spector, 11, was one of 54 participants receiving a silver Kiddush cup and a book on heritage from Herbert Green (left) and Albert J. Latner at Pidyon Haben celebration sponsored by the Toronto Lubavitch Youth Organization. The celebration brought together Russian newcomers to Toronto area.

Rare Pidyon Haben observed

TORONTO — A unique Pidyon Haben celebration brought together Russian immigrants, community leaders and Chassidim, recently.

Redeeming the first born is usually performed on the 31st day after birth. However, Lubavitch Youth Organization realized that almost all the young men among the Russian immigrants have never observed this religious rite.

"We decided to make an illustrious affair, and go all out and invited the community because our experience has proven that communal affairs are instrumental in encouraging our Russian brethren to integrate within our community," said Rabbi Z. Aaron Grossbaum, executive director of Lubavitch Youth Organization. The day also marks 50 years since the previous Lubavitcher Rebbe was released from a Russian prison. Metro Chairman Paul Godfrey declared the occasion Lubavitch Day in Toronto.

Charles S. Diamond, a community leader and a close friend of the Lubavitch Organization, who served as chairman, announced that although Jewish schools are under financial distress, any Russian immigrant who wishes to attend a Hebrew Day school will be accepted free of charge.

The Lubavitcher Rebbe sent greetings and his

blessings, which were read by Rabbi Immanuel Schochet. The message was translated and read in Russian by Rabbi Eli Lipshitz, himself of Russian origin. Al Latner and Herbert Green awarded each one of the 54 participating bechorim a silver Kiddush cup and a book in Russian on heritage.

Guest speaker was Rabbi Moishe Feller, director

of Lubavitch activities in the U.S. Upper Midwest, who spoke about the tug of Jewish consciousness, which can never lose its effectiveness.

"Today," he said, "we are witnessing this with these immigrants who, after being denied and divorced from Judaism for more than 50 years, are proud and searching Jews."

"The success of the evening has encouraged us to begin a day camp for these children, who are integrating so well," was the reaction of Rabbi Joseph Gansburg, co-ordinator of the event.

Ontario Region RA joins Central CZF

TORONTO — The Canadian Zionist Federation announced that the Ontario Region of the Rabbinical Assembly (the international organization of Conservative rabbis) has formally affiliated with CZF Central Region. The two representatives to the CZF executive will be Rabbi Kenneth M. Tarlow, president, Ontario Region, RA and

Rabbi Stuart Rosenberg. Rabbi Tarlow says he is pleased that the commitment to Zionism, which has always been a hallmark of the Conservative movement, has been formalized through the RA's affiliation with CZF. Max Shecter, CZF president, Central Region, said that he was pleased by the RA's affiliation. He invited other rabbinical and synagogue groups in Ontario to express their commitment to Zionism through affiliation with CZF.

Haifa U plans BA studies for Diaspora youth

HAIFA — An experimental program — studies (in English) for a BA in all university departments, designed for Diaspora Jews and students from abroad — is being planned by the University of Haifa, in co-operation with the Jewish Agency.

The program's aim is to attract Jewish youth to immigrate to Israel, and to bring foreign currency in to the state. In the first stage, the program will be given a trial run with the Jewish community in Miami.

The program is part of a proposed, larger government program to be put into operation in all the universities in Israel, in co-operation with the Jewish Agency. There is also talk of initiating studies in French for a BA, designed for French-speaking Jews, especially Jews from

North Africa. The president of the university, Eliezer Rafaeli, one of the original proponents of the idea, assisted by George Wise, former president of Tel Aviv University, explained the need for a government initiative in budgeting large sums of money and effort to establish a college for the Jewish people in Israel.

In his opinion, this can be done by working out an attractive educational program that will appeal to students from abroad.

According to Rafaeli, the program will prove itself, not only from a Zionist standpoint, but also from an economic one, thereby succeeding in bringing into the state foreign currency and enabling the university facilities and staff to be utilized to their fullest capacity all year round.

We should participate in Caravan '78: Goody

TORONTO (Staff) — The Jewish community may be represented at next year's Caravan, Toronto's annual nine-day multicultural festival, according to Max Goody, deputy president of the Zionist Organization of Canada.

Goody, who managed the Canadian Zionist Federation's 1973 Caravan pavilion — Jerusalem — expressed a personal opinion in saying the community should be present at Caravan '78 to celebrate Israel's 30th year of statehood.

In the eight-year history of Caravan, a popular, community-wide event, Toronto Jewry has had a pavilion only once — in 1973, when Israel observed its 25th anniversary. There were 51 pavilions at Caravan this year, representing a wide assortment of Canadian nationalities.

Speculating why the Toronto Jewish community has had only one pavilion at Caravan, Goody said that while Caravan was a major annual project for ethnic Torontonians, this was not the case for Jewry.

"For the Jews, it's different. All our activities are held in the fall and the winter, and no one wants to get involved in the summer," he said. It was difficult to recruit staff to run a pavilion, explaining that he had taken three months off work to manage the 1973 exhibit.

Meanwhile, Eliot Sargon, executive director of the Canadian Zionist Federation, Central Region, said "the community should be" at Caravan

"78. He stressed that the CZF was willing to co-operate with any organization interested in setting up a pavilion.

Irwin Gold, executive director of Toronto Jewish Congress, disclosed that it would take a minimum of \$10,000 to build a pavilion.

Responding to a question, Milton Harris, president of the Toronto Jewish Congress, said there is no Jewish or Israeli pavilion at this year's Caravan because the community has not voiced a demand for one.

"It's a meritorious thing to be doing, but it's not a priority item," he said last week. "There hasn't been a tremendous concern within the community to sponsor a pavilion."

Harris also said the general feeling in the community is that Jews are no longer "ethnics" but rather part of mainstream

Canada.

Asked why Scottish Canadians — who immigrated to Canada long before Jews — were represented at Caravan, Harris replied: "I don't know what their rationale is." He repeated his assertion that the community could have had a pavilion had there been widespread interest in such a project.

He dismissed speculation that the lack of a Jewish pavilion might indirectly aid the Arab cause. The Arabs have one pavilion at Caravan — Damascus — located at 175 St. Clair West, in a Unitarian church.

(James Senor, executive director, Canadian Society for Weizmann Institute, paid his first visit to Caravan last week and stopped by the Damascus pavilion. At 5:30 p.m., it was packed with about 300 seated and 75-100 standing, listening to Jim Pe-

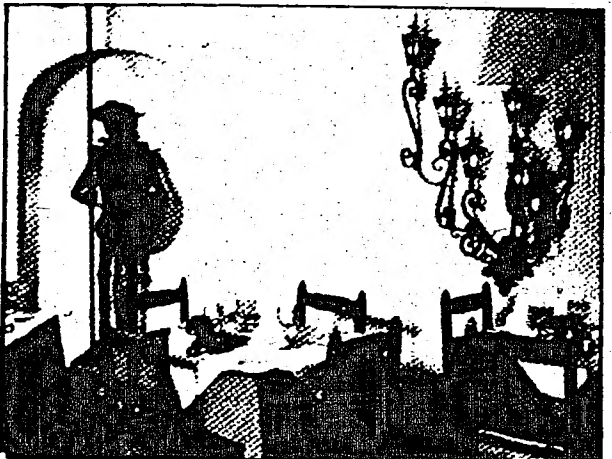
ters, president of the Canadian Arab Friendship Society. Among other things, he told the largely non-Arab audience that Jews had lived peacefully in Arab lands for thousands of years.

"It's unfortunate that no Israeli pavilion exists," he said in an interview. "I think it would be an advantage to have an Israeli booth at Caravan."

Harris told The Canadian Jewish News that if Jews thought the Arab pavilion could score propaganda points, "we would have heard from them (Jews) a long time ago." He added that Arab propaganda in Canada is generally of a poor quality in any event.

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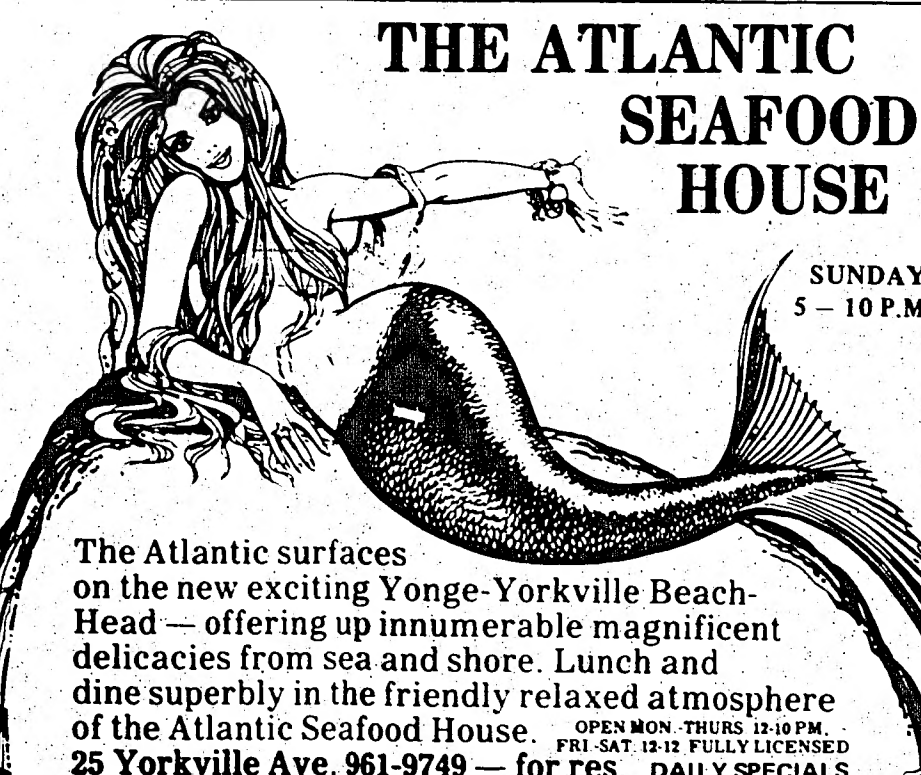
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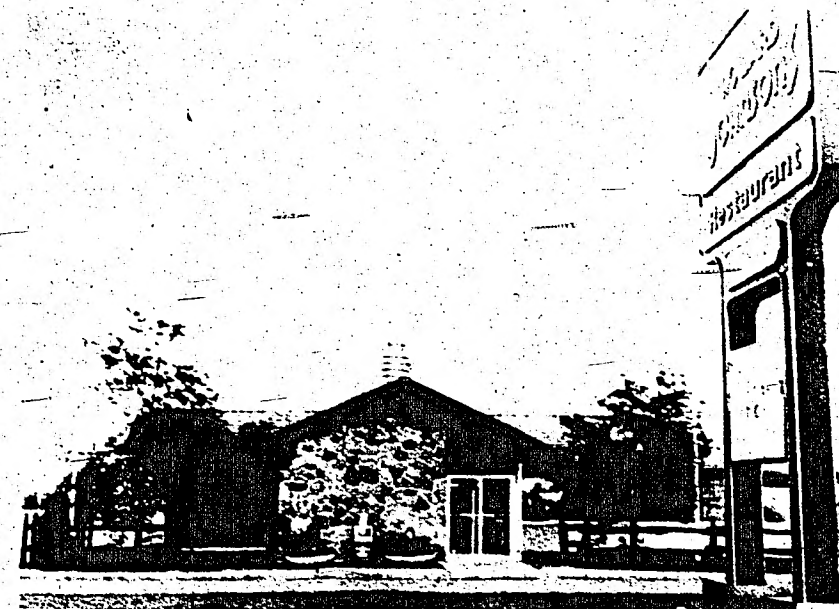
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By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Balak/17th of Tamuz Fast Day (Sunday)/The Three Weeks
Mee manah afar Yaakov... Who hath counted the dust of Jacob...

You can trade a Rolls-Royce for two Cadillacs — but how do you measure the worth of a Jew? In the time of Alexander III of Russia, a high-ranking anti-Semitic minister named Ignatiev promulgated a number of vicious anti-Jewish decrees.

Once Ignatiev met the wealthy Baron Ginsburg and taunted him. "I hear the Jews are getting together to bribe me. Tell me — how much do you plan to offer."

The baron answered coolly. "What the Jews are worth to me, I can't possibly ever raise. And what they're worth to you, that I can afford to pay anytime..." (Fun Unzer Alter Oitser)

It's easier to walk across the Niagara on a tight-rope than to be a Jew — you have to know how to keep your balance...

When the wicked magician Balaam went to curse the Jews, God forced him to bless them instead. He declared: "Hain am I v'adad vishkon. Behold, it is a people that dwells alone..." But between you and me, why did he have to stick in the extra word, "Behold"? What was he selling, furniture polish? Why the extra words?

But it teaches...the Hebrew word for Behold is Hain...

...made up of two letters, HAY and NUN. Why those two letters? In Hebrew, HAY equals five, and NUN equals 50. Every other number has a mate — 2 plus 8 equals 10, or 3 plus 7, or 1 plus 9... But five? Five can only add with itself to make ten.

The same with NUN, which equals 50. Ten plus 90, 30 plus 70, 40 plus 60, equal 100. But 50? Fifty can only match up with itself.

The same with us Jews — we only add up right when we turn to ourselves, to our own resources, to our own way of life, to our own Torah — and don't try to imitate the nations around us. When we keep Shabbat in shul not on the shore, and Lake Tefillin not just Lake Simcoe, then there's hope for us... (Shemot Rabbah)

After all, Jews are compared to fire and the nations to water. If you put water in a pot over a fire, the fire makes the water bubble. But if you take away the separation and mix the water and fire together, it's the fire that goes out...

Frankly, there's only so much time, energy and money available in our community. If our national organizations that speak for us have the time and staff to organize inter-faith dialogues, shouldn't we first be concerned about the horrid disaster of intermarriage sweeping our community? If we have the kash to hold conferences with ministers and priests, shouldn't we first marshal our best minds in a major conference to decide if there will even be any Jews to talk about 100 years from now?

Priorities, folks, priorities... I wonder what our readers think.

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"Then you'll have two."

May we see a religious revolution in our midst. Shabbat Shalom.

THE JEWISH CALENDAR

Shiva Asar b'Tamuz — Sunday, July 3rd
The "Three Weeks" — Sunday, July 3rd to Sunday, July 24th
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Elul (Month of Repentance) — Monday, August 15th to Monday, September 12th
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Bonds honors Haganah commander

Jerusalem and a Strong



Baruch Noy (left), first Jewish mayor of Acre, is presented with United Jerusalem Award by Alex Eisen, chairman of Toronto Bonds synagogue division. At right is Louis Kirshenblatt, Bond chairman of B'nai Israel Beth David Synagogue.

TORONTO — Baruch Noy, the first Jewish mayor of Acre and one of five Haganah commanders in Jerusalem during the War of Independence, was honored by Israel Bonds at a ceremony last week at B'nai Israel Beth David Synagogue.

Alex Eisen, chairman of Bonds' synagogue division, presented Noy with the United Jerusalem Award to mark the 10th anniversary of the reunification of Israel's capital.

The theme and significance of Jerusalem was the focal point of the entire evening's program, climaxed by the participation of the audience in a unique candlelighting ceremony.

Among those called upon to light candles were members and guests representing the original two sponsoring congregations, the women and youth of the congregations, Russian Jewry, Holocaust victims and other groups.

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This took further tangible form in the total of Bond subscriptions made by those present — a new

record for the congregation at a single Bond event.

Program participants included Jack Siskind, dinner chairman; Rabbi Albert Pappenheim; Jack Pollock, president; Louis Kirshenblatt, Bond chair-

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Sam and I have a great deal in common. In any event Sam dropped into Parkwood Central to pick out his 1977 Cadillac Eldorado and to talk about leasing a couple of Chevie vans for his business. I wish I could say he came to me first but he didn't. He had been to nearly every GM dealership in town and had comparative figures to burn.

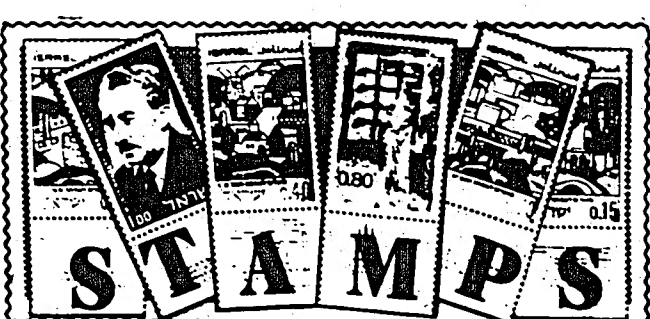
When I got done costing my deal — the Eldorado and two Chevie vans — I laid the whole pricing schedule out for Sam and he calculated I could save him close to eleven hundred dollars.

So what did Sam do? He went to Acapulco for a week to celebrate the savings and needless to say I got the order. However, I do hope Sam doesn't buy another car or truck from me this year. I don't think he could take another trip to Acapulco!



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By CHAIM YEHUDA

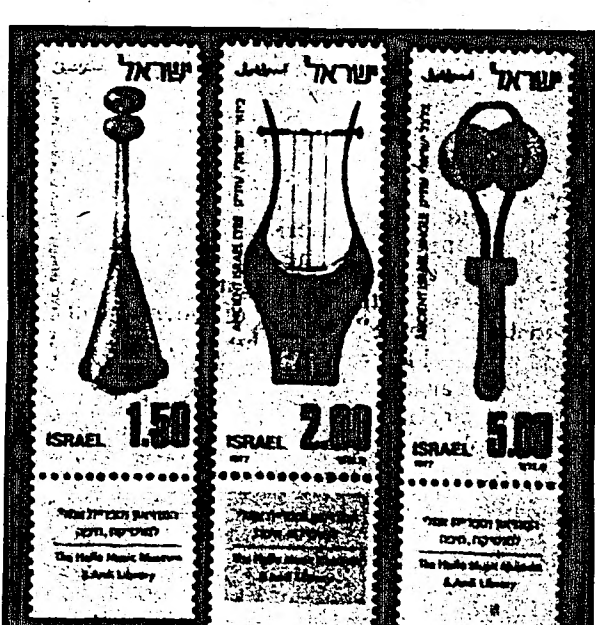
On April 19 of this year, Israel issued a set of three stamps depicting ancient musical instruments from the collection of the Haifa Music Museum and Aml Library. Designed by A. Glaser of Tel Aviv, these attractive multicolored stamps were printed by photolithography by E. Lewin-Epstein Ltd. in sheets of 15 with five tabs on phosphor-coated paper, plate numbers 496-498.

Music played an important role in ancient Israel, as indicated by many references in the Bible. This set of stamps shows three types of musical instruments which have been found in archeological excavations.

The IL 1.50 stamp shows an ancient trumpet, which was used in temple services and also during state and royal ceremonies. This instrument is mentioned many times in the Bible, for example, during the times of Moses.

The IL 2.00 value depicts the ancient lyre. This instrument, along with the harp, is the most-frequently mentioned string instrument in the Bible. Both are also used in temple services.

The highest value stamp of this set, IL 5.00, shows the jingle, which according to M. Goral, writing for the Philatelic Services, is the best-known percussion instrument, although we do not know the precise identity and design of the musical instruments referred to as 'jingles, loud jingles and high-sounding jingles'.



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AROUND THE TOWN

By JANICE ARNOLD

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The \$2-million collection of 2,000 rare Hebrew and Judaic books belonging to Jacob Lowy have been officially received by the National Library of Canada. Dr. Guy Sylvestre, national librarian, announced. The collection is the most valuable single bequest received by the library since it was created in 1953. Lowy announced his intention to donate the books last February.

PILGRIMAGE TO DEAD

Two members of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada will make their first pilgrimage to the 26 cemeteries Europe where Canadian soldiers who lost their lives during World War II are buried. Jr. Deputy Commander Hy Genie and Adjutant Al Cutler will leave July 17 and visit the military cemeteries in France, Belgium, Holland, West Germany and Italy.

RABBI WINS BOOK AWARD

Rabbi David Hartman, former spiritual leader of Tifereth Beth David Jerusalem, recently won one of the eight 1977 National Jewish Book Awards in New York. Hartman's *Maimonides: Torah and Philosophic Quest* earned him the Frank and Ethel S. Cohen Award for a book on Jewish thought. Hartman is presently a lecturer at the Hebrew University.

NEW JCH PRESIDENT

George Reinhardt has been named new president of the Jewish Convalescent Hospital. Associated with the hospital for many years, he is past vice-president and chairman of the executive committee. Outgoing president is N. Murray Kotler.

3,492 APPLICATIONS

Jewish Vocational Services received 3,492 applications for employment counselling during the period of April 1, 1976-March 31, 1977. Of these 2,154 were new and re-opened from local residents and 1,338 were from immigrants. A total of 1,116 jobs were found by JVS — 695 for the locals and 421 for the immigrants.

CASPI, CSQ MEET

The Communauté Sepharade du Québec held a reception for Israeli Consul General Zvi Caspi recently — the first official contact between the Sephardim and the envoy. It was held in the Magen David Synagogue on Darlington.

CANTOR HONORED

Cantor Herman K. Gottlieb of Temple Emanuel was presented with the Shilach Taibur award by the American Conference of Cantors at their recent convention in Chicago. Gottlieb was cited for his 25 years of service to the Jewish community and Reform Judaism. The Cantorial Alumni Association also named Gottlieb winner of the Kol HaKavod award at its annual meeting held in conjunction with the Chicago convention.

SISCO TO SPEAK

Joseph J. Sisco, who served as assistant secretary of state for Middle Eastern affairs with Henry Kissinger will be a guest speaker at the 48th annual convention of the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs being held here July 31-Aug. 4. Presently serving as president of American University in Washington, Sisco is considered one of the best-informed persons on the problems facing the Middle East in relation to the U.S. and the Soviet Union.



Betty Bercovitch

\$40,000 RAISED

Forty-thousand dollars was raised during the last year by the Council of Units of the Jewish Hospital of Hope Foundation, re-elected president Betty Bercovitch disclosed in her annual report.

RABBINICAL OFFICERS

The following officers were confirmed at the general meeting of Board of Jewish Ministers of Greater Montreal — Rabbi Benjamin Hauer, president; Rabbi Michael Kramer, Howard Joseph and Mark Golub, vice-presidents; and Samuel Lewin, secretary.

PR APPOINTMENT

Rikie Madoff is the newly-appointed public relations and communications officer of the Jewish Family Services Social Service Centre.

POWERFUL NOVEL

A powerful novel about the rise to wealth of an East European Jewish immigrant family to Quebec after World War II by Michael Solomon will soon be released. Six hundred pages long and well-documented, Solomon promises *The Eastern Argonauts* will be controversial.

OFFICERS AT LARGE

Jack Cummings, Ralph Lallou, Dr. Seymour Mishkin and Prof. Howard Rotter were named as officers at large of the Eastern Region of Canadian Jewish Congress. Yoine Goldstein is the new honorary legal counsel.

SEPHARDIC SCHOOL EXPANDS

Ecole Maimonides has been given the go-ahead from the Ministry of Education to house its high school in the original quarters at 7450 Cote St. Luc Road this September. The steadily-growing elementary school will remain in the main building on Parkhaven in Cote St. Luc.

NEW NCSY HEADS

New president of NCSY, Eastern Canada, is Hank Reinhardt of Tifereth Beth David Jerusalem and vice-president is Cindy Charnass of Beth Ora. Both were elected at the 12th annual regional NCSY convention held in Machzkei Hadas Congregation in Ottawa. Tommy Bauer was named top NCSY member of the year.

Film underway on poet Klein for spring, 1978

[Staff] —

Television audiences in Canada and the U.S. by this time next year should have had a chance to see the first film on A.M. Klein, the internationally renowned Montreal poet and prose writer.

The 60-minute documentary, tentatively entitled *The Poet as Landscape — The Life and Times of A.M. Klein*, will be completed and ready for distribution to North American stations by the spring of 1978 if plans go as expected.

"Though Klein is studied by many students and heard of by almost everybody, few really know his biography," said David Kaufman of Toronto, producer and director of the film. Kaufman is a former native of Montreal.

With the exception of a film on Leonard Cohen shown in 1965 on CBC, there are no film documentaries on Canadian authors to Kaufman's knowledge. Several boards of education in Ontario have already expressed an interest in acquiring it.

The Poet as Landscape will feature extensive photography of old Jewish Montreal and interviews with well-known personalities like Irving Layton, Saul Hayes, David Lewis, and David Rome, interspersed with readings from Klein's works. Family members, particularly sons Colman and Sander who live in Montreal, will give special insights into the man who in the space of 25 years rose to world-wide recognition before lapsing into relative obscurity because of severe depression after 1954 until his death in 1972.

Klein was born in 1909 either in Montreal, or came to Montreal as an infant from Poland the following year. He lived until the age of five on Hotel de Ville St. and on Clark St. until his mid-university days. For a year and a half, Klein made his home in the northern mining town of Rouyn. Kaufman has brought his camera to the exact site.

Yiddish folk music will be used throughout the film.

Kaufman, and assistant director, David Hillel, had no trouble in finding peo-

ple in Montreal who had their own stories to tell about Klein. His name could hardly be mentioned in any public place but complete strangers would volunteer information, Kaufman found.

This is the first major film for Kaufman, who studied film directing at Columbia University and left his job as a news-writer for CTV's Canada AM in January, 1976 to begin research on Klein. Shooting started last February.

The man who has been

cataloguing information on Klein for the Public Archives of Canada, Asher Caplan, has served as literary advisor for Kaufman and Hillel. Leon Edel, the Pulitzer Prize-winning biographer of Henry James, has also contributed his expertise.

Eighty percent of the financing of the film has come from federal and Ontario government sources — Wintario, the Ontario Arts Council and the LIP program. The rest has consisted of private donations.



In 1951, Canadian Jewish Congress leaders Monroe Abbey (left) and Saul Hayes congratulate A. M. Klein on the publication of his novel, *The Second Scroll*. A film documentary is being made about the late writer.

'Don't abolish Tourism Ministry'

IN MY VIEW

By CHARLES LAZARUS

JERUSALEM —

If and when the time comes to assess the dynamics of change in politics, certainly there is an analogy to be drawn between Nov. 15 in Quebec and May 17 in Israel.

Aside from the fact that both new heads of government, respectively Rene Levesque and Menachem Begin — appear to be the direct result of "the Populist Syndrome," while the "people's people" getting rid of the old "establishment" rascals (Jim Carter's victory is still a mystery), there are also these apparent similarities between what happened in Quebec and what happened in Israel:

1. The obsession or compulsion by the new "good guys" to upstage the recently deposed "bad guys" by bringing about change simply for change sake — almost with a sense of exhibitionism.

2. The general inexperience, both politically and practically, of the new people determined to bring about change.

3. The attempts by the new power elite to neutralize the new opposition by making deals with the devil, if necessary, at least

those considered devils by the newly-elected before they were elected.

Above all, there is a panoply of suspicion that Lord Acton's dictum, "power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely," may once again be true.

In fact, the only real difference between the Parti Quebecois and the Likud is that in the case of the former, power is indeed absolute, and as far as Likud is concerned, it is something less than that.

What triggers these comparisons is a report currently making the rounds: a proposal being seriously considered by the Begin regime — at this writing it is still to take the form of government — that the Ministry of Tourism be abolished, to be replaced by a Government Tourist Corporation within the Ministry of Industry and Commerce.

The argument is that the government should abandon tourist promotion abroad, leaving it to the private sector, and concentrate on keeping pleasure travelers happy in Israel.

I won't go into the details of this wild idea, except to point out that this lack of expertise on the part of the new Begin group is as obvious as the

recent announcement by the Quebec government to introduce a law ostensibly designed to effect radical benefits for the handicapped.

It all sounded full of progressivism and social justice until the association of the handicapped simply told the government to forget about it because they knew nothing whereof they spoke, and that the handicapped themselves hadn't even been consulted.

The case against closing foreign offices of the Ministry of Tourism is no better presented than in the ministry building itself on Rehov Melech George where, on the second floor, Amnon Gil-Ad serves as part of the nerve centre of a sophisticated network of contacts with journalists from five countries.

Gil-Ad, who very effectively directed the ministry's national office in Toronto for a number of years, is a very busy man these days, as this little country prepares for another boom year from travelers, possibly exceeding that of 1976.

One of Gil-Ad's main functions is to take care of the needs of journalists from abroad, mainly travel writers and editors, with whom an easy rapport has

been developed.

Before Gil-Ad and his colleagues, however, take over the touring program for the journalists in Israel, they have already been exposed to the first contacts by the Israel tourist offices wherever these missions exist.

This is just one dimension of the ministry's work.

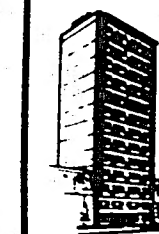
But there is another, which closely complements getting Israel's fascinating tourist story told to the world.

That is the actual promotion of tourism — individuals, religious pilgrimages, package tours, charter travel, group visits, youth programs, incentive business — particularly by promoting

those markets, Jewish and non-Jewish, among those who have still to make their first trip to Israel.

Thus does it come as a stunning surprise that the Begin government may consider abolishing the Tourism Ministry, and Israel government tourist offices abroad.

But is it really a surprise, considering how quickly the inexperienced "in's" are anxious to prove to everybody that they're not only in, but have the power to prove it. (Editor's Note: Subsequent to the writing of this article, the Tourism Ministry was abolished.)

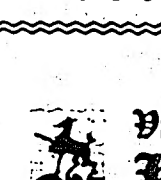


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Leaders optimistic

[Staff] —

Soviet Jewry leaders here are guardedly optimistic about the Belgrade conference of the Helsinki Final Act.

The session was of particular interest to those seeking to end the harassment of Jews in the Soviet Union and allow a freer flow of emigration because it dealt with Basket Three, the chapter of the Act concerning respect for human rights including the freedom of religion, thought, travel and reunification of families.

The Helsinki Act was signed in August, 1975 by 35 countries including the United States and the Soviet Union, after three years of discussion. The first two Baskets concerned defence and economic affairs.

The Belgrade conference is seen as a dress rehearsal for the more important conference of executive deputies in October to be held again in Belgrade.

"We feel optimistic to a degree but nothing really concrete was expected to come out of this preliminary conference," said Miriam Garvis, a member of the Montreal Group of 35, who compiled the report on violations by the Soviets of the freedom of family reunification. The report was submitted by the Montreal Committee of Lawyers and Jurists to the Conference. A copy of

the report was sent to External Affairs minister Don Jamieson and was used by the Canadian delegation.

Alan Rose, executive vice-president of Canadian Jewish Congress and the only Canadian Jew who attended, returned with the impression that "we are only at the beginning of a very, very long process." He observed that the United States delegation seemed receptive to a detailed report by Stephen Roth of the compliance committee of World Jewish Congress, which was established by the World Conference on Soviet Jewry. Rose is a member of that committee.

"The Soviets are still very sensitive to the American position and interested in trade-offs," the Soviets did try to politicize the conference with

attempts to sidetrack into issues like the environment and transportation.

The Canadian delegation, led by Canadian ambassador to Hungary T.W. Dilworth, kept a high profile at Belgrade. Rose noted, notwithstanding the woman, reported in a number of newspapers to be a Canadian, who attempted to disrupt the proceedings.

The woman was in fact a member of the London 35s and, though Canadian by birth, has lived in Britain for 11 years.

"Even though I am a member of the 35s, I think the demonstration did nothing but create animosity," Mrs. Garvis said.

The 35s, with the Montreal Committee for Soviet Jewry, will continue to supply the Canadian government with information of Soviet violations of Basket Three.

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CJC records response to Hitler

By JANICE ARNOLD
With the release this month of the Canadian Jewish Congress Archives records of the year 1933, there is the hope that it will dispel the misconception that Canadian Jews were silent in the face of the rising tide of anti-Semitism in Europe.

Our Archival Record of 1933, Hitler's Year, compiled by David Rome and with a preface by Victor Sefton, chairman of the national committee on archives, is a listing of documents, letters and press clippings of that year. It is the fifth booklet in the new series of the Canadian

Jewish Archives. The fourth was the posthumous publication of B.G. Sack's history of Jews in Canada in the early part of this century.

"We have evidence here that Jews in Canada did unite and react to Nazism, despite the differences that existed in

Canadian Jewry. The debate that had lasted for 35 years on whether there should be a Canadian Jewish Congress, ended with the rise of Hitler," said Rome, archivist at Congress.

A Canadian Jewish Congress was founded in 1919. It had one meeting

to draw up a statement expressing Canadian Jewry's concern for the future of their brethren in Europe and support for a Jewish state in Palestine. After submitting the statement to the Versailles Peace Conference, Congress ceased to exist in 1920.

Congress did not re-

emerge until Hitler came to power in 1933. Confronted with not only anxiety over European Jews, but the apathy, and often unacknowledged anti-Semitism of non-Jews especially in Quebec, some consensus of opinion was nevertheless established across Canada among Jews.

Writes Sefton: "Congress was new, inexperienced, without means or instruments, holding an uncertain mandate, faced with depression, Nazism, Canadian fascism, a hostile church, a wooden-faced government and an indifferent public."

Protest meetings were quickly organized across the country. It was not an easy task to arouse Canadian Jewry into common action when many did not realize the extent of Hitler's tyranny or the "Jew-hate" that was spreading in their own country.

The committee that organized the protests numbered 41 by July, 1933, when it was agreed it should merge with the fledgling Congress as a permanent and national institution of Canadian Jewry.

Hitler's Year chronicles the lives of Samuel W. Jacobs, the first national president, and H.M. Caiserman, the first general secretary.

The loss of Jewish equality in Montreal, the clamp-down on Jewish immigration to Canada, the reversal of legislation allowing Jewish businessmen to observe Saturday as the Sabbath, all backed by an actively anti-Semitic Roman Catholic Church in Quebec and the malicious writings of men like Joseph Menard and Adrien Arcand and their counter-protest to the anti-Hitler meetings by Jews is documented in detail.



Two prominent Americans of Canadian birth, Nathan Cummings (left), and Edgar Bronfman (right), were among leaders of Anti-Defamation League invited to special preview of "Homage to Chagall" in New York. Hosting reception after screening of CBC film was Barry Steers, Canadian consul.

Hospital awaits government funds for capital costs and building repair

[Staff] —

Major repairs to the 12-year-old building of the Jewish Convalescent Hospital in Chomedey may go undone due to the provincial government's slowness to make capital allocations.

"To date, our negotiations with the government have been a qualified success in terms of our global budget requirements. However, the area of deepest concern has been our inability to move the government in terms of capital requirements," said N. Murray Kotler in his final report as president of the hospital.

"The hospital building requires numerous repairs and replacements, the dollars for which are still awaiting government approval. The complicated formula for arriving at capital budgets has not been determined and this determination will be crucial to operations of the hospital."

During the fiscal period from Jan. 1, 1976 to March 31, 1977, the hospital received no capital funds. The government has decided that the source for capital expenses should come from patient room charges under a revenue-sharing scheme with the Montreal Region Council

of hospitals rather than from a separately negotiated capital allocation.

The Jewish Convalescent, a 120-bed institution serving patients whose average stay is 44 days, cannot take advantage of that formula, yet because the government has not decided under what classification to place the hospital.

Although negotiations with government bodies continue on a day-to-day basis, no satisfactory answer to the Jewish Convalescent's dilemma has come forth.

"Our only choice is to reduce another service if we are to make necessary

capital expenditures," Kotler said. No concrete plans have been made to make cutbacks, as the Jewish General Hospital has had to do, but services in all departments are being re-examined to see if they are being de-

livered at the least possible cost, he said.

A new roof will be put on the hospital this year whether or not funds are received. This will put the hospital in debt, but it is something that has to be done, said Kotler.



This is a scene from Marcel Dube's "Zone" presented at Saidye Bronfman Centre this past spring. It is one of the two major English-speaking theatres in Quebec.

Theatre meets guidelines

[Staff] —

The 10 major professional theatres in Quebec were presented recently with a series of proposed regulations from the Ministry of Cultural Affairs that will govern the functioning of these theatres.

One of the most debated guidelines calls for each of these theatres to perform one play written by a "Quebecois" per season. Whether this play must be performed in French has still not been decided.

The Saidye Bronfman Centre, one of the two English theatres among the 10, views the new guideline with no apprehension and will quickly point out that it has been including a Quebecois play in its program for several years.

"Everything seems fine as we see it," said Nahum Ravel, director of the SBC. "The indication is that the government has no intention of dropping us. In fact, the chance for independent grants seems more possible."

As far as Ravel and artistic director Muriel Gold are concerned, there is no question of language and they will interpret a Quebecois as anyone who

lives in Quebec.

During the 1973-74 season the SBC, in conjunction with the Le Fait Francais committee, instituted Theatre Rencontre, a double bill featuring a play performed in French and one in English by an anglophone Quebecois.

Out of Theatre Rencontre grew the idea of in-

cluding a play every season by an English or French-speaking Quebecois. They have been: Charbonneau et le Chef by John T. McDonough, 1975; Quatre a Quatre by Michel Garneau, 1976; and Zone by Marcel Dube, and Dispossessed by Aviva Ravel, 1977. Michel Tremblay's Bonjour la Bonjour will be presented in September.

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(David Grossinger photo)

Club Med is tropical haven for 'swinging singles'; but couples, families still favor West Indies resort

Fort Royal, Guadeloupe —

French-run Club Med terrace has the image of being a tropical haven for swinging singles. That's only half right.

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However, it is important to mention that Fort Royal is not a family resort in the sense that Walt Disney World is a family resort. Some features of Fort Royal may not get Snow White's stamp of approval. Nudity or semi-nudity,

for instance.

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Veteran Israel diplomat Gideon Rafael (second from right), was guest speaker at Yorkdale Lodge B'nai B'rith meeting. Others from left are Lodge President Mike Rosenberg, award recipient Charles Goldlust and Ralph Snow, dinner chairman.

Arabs seek to drive wedge between Israel, Diaspora, says envoy Gideon Rafael

TORONTO (Staff) — Arab diplomacy has become much more subtle and sophisticated in recent years and one of its prime objectives is to drive a wedge between Israel and the Diaspora, Israel's former ambassador to Britain and Ireland told an Israel Bonds dinner here last week.

Gideon Rafael, currently ambassador extraordinary, warned that if the Arabs succeed in achieving this goal, "our destiny and that of the Diaspora would be in danger." "But I know it will not come to that," the German-born envoy quickly added in an address to B'nai B'rith's Yorkdale Lodge at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda congregation. "Our relationship with the Diaspora is not intellectual but instinctive."

Rafael, who was his country's chief UN delegate during and after the Six Day War, did not elaborate as to how the Arabs were attempting to divide Israel and world Jewry. In a brief interview following his half-hour speech, he refused to expound on his theory.

In his extemporaneous remarks to about 60 diners, he said the Arab states continue to pursue a diplomatic, economic and propagandistic war against Israel. And he noted that the Arab campaign against the Jewish state consists of three distinct stages — defamation, isolation and elimination.

Saying that Israel has been exposed to the longest war in modern history, he said any other people by now might have abandoned civilian activity and

created a garrison state. Instead, he explained, the Jews have fashioned "an oasis of democracy within a wilderness of autocracy."

And, he stressed, Israelis would not be content merely to defend what he called "an empty shell" — a society devoid of culture and scientific and industrial achievement.

He said that as long as Israel survives, there will never again be an Auschwitz and a Treblinka. "To show you these are not empty words, look to Entebbe," he declared.

This year's recipient of Yorkdale Lodge's United Jerusalem Award will be Charles Goldlust. He will receive the award in November.

Residence in Israel changed her lifestyle

By MIRIAM HERMAN

TORONTO — Tall, dark and attractive — that's Diane Uslaner, the new executive director of Women's Canadian ORT. Open and friendly, she greets you in a warm, resonant voice that makes you feel welcome.

There's a trace of the New York accent, to be sure, but the Americaness can be somewhat misleading. Born in Paris, educated shuttle-fashion between the city and the United States, she has lived in a number of countries and become fluent in several languages.

Moving about with husband Jerry, a sales manager for a large American firm, has become a way of life. Through the past 11 years, the Uslaners have touched base in Hawaii, Tokyo (where 9-year-old daughter Victoria was born), Geneva, London and Israel.

"My mother always told me 'don't put down wall-to-wall broadloom or wallpaper. Oriental rugs and paintings you can always take with you,'" she laughingly explains.

It was in Geneva, the headquarters of World ORT, that her interest in the organization was kindled. Actually no stranger to the ORT credo — her grandmother had headed up the Russian chapter in Paris — she was re-introduced to it through her frequent visits to the office there.

But it was the three-year stint in Israel that "changed my life and values....I came from a spoilt



Diane Uslaner

ed background and learned I could live in Israel without all the fancy things."

Her belief in ORT was further solidified when she met the teachers and students of the schools there, and saw first-hand what ORT was doing.

So, when the Uslaners left Israel for Canada three years ago, Diane became a member of the local Toronto group.

"I was not a joiner," explains the 39-year-old brunette. "I had always worked at an interesting series of jobs. But I joined ORT as a volunteer to help Israel. It was something I had to do."

She was regional vice-president in charge of programming when she took over as executive director in mid-May.

In her Toronto-based office (the hometown of national president Dorothy Shochet), Mrs. Uslaner oversees the approximately 5,000 members in the 10 regions from Halifax to Vancouver.

As with all other organizations today, the lifeline to the future lies in a

vibrant, ongoing membership. The race for the hearts and souls of the uncommitted is high on the agenda.

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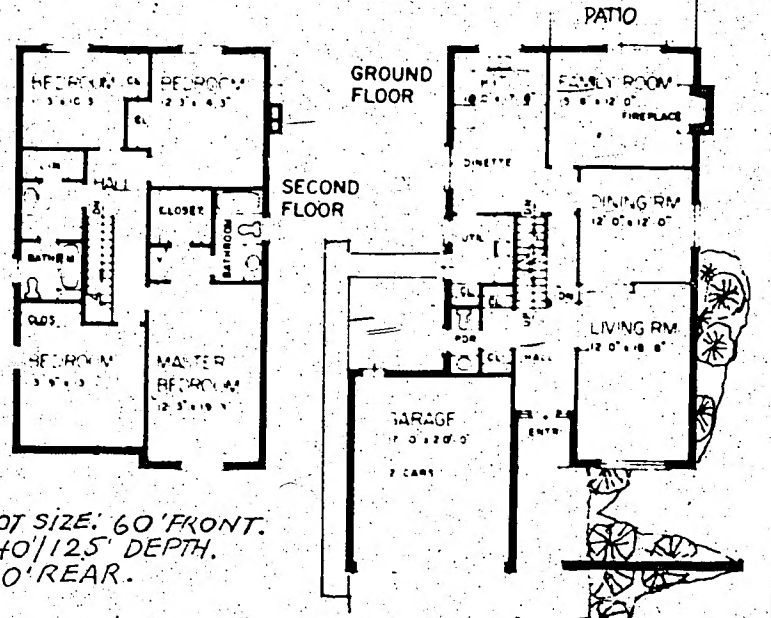
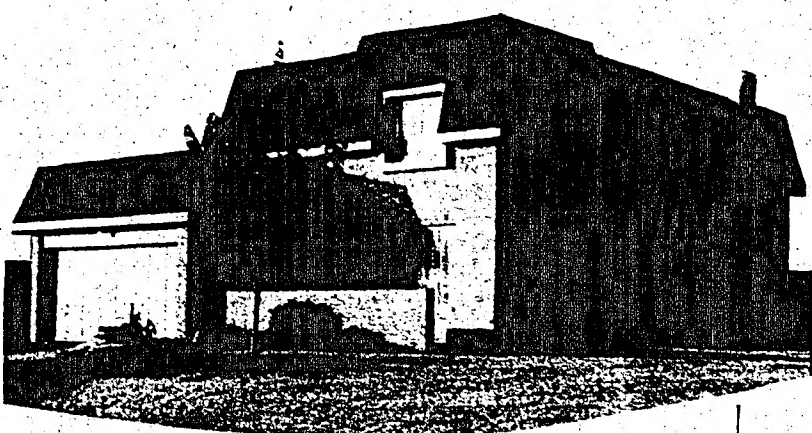
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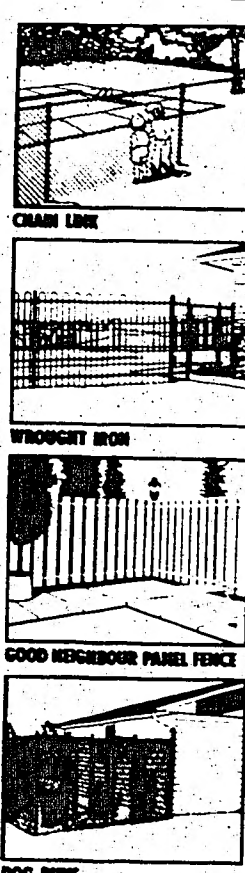
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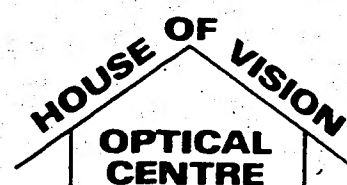
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Crown agency funds library

The centre does have two films on the Mideast: **To Live in Freedom**, a British-Israeli documentary on Oriental Jews and dispossessed Palestinian Arabs described as "eloquent without undue polemic" by the London Guardian, and **We are the Palestinian People**, tracing "the long history of the Palestinian people's resistance from the early rebellion against Turkish rule in 1915... to the present struggle of Palestinian refugees to 'regain their homeland'."

CIDA has also funded some 20 "learner centres" across Canada, including one in Toronto called the Cross-Cultural Communication Centre on Dufferin Street which has a small collection on the Mideast. Its library includes a slide-tape show called **History of the Mideast — a Palestinian Viewpoint**, which catalogues "Zionist aggression" and displacement of refugees, among other things.

A spokesman for Wintario said the DEC grant was offered through the multicultural office. "Projects are not judged on a value basis," she said. "It's not really pick and choose. There's enough money for everybody."

The CIDA officer said funds are granted to groups in instalments, applications must include evidence of competence, and projects are carefully monitored.

The crown agency has come under fire from certain quarters for its subsidiary group CUSO (Canadian University Service Overseas), which has a pro-Palestinian outlook.

The education centre contains a number of "even-handed" pamphlets, including a "Mideast Peace Packet" from the American Friends Service Committee (a group which has come under fire from American Jewish organizations), giving both the Arab and Jewish refugee standpoint. The library includes a pamphlet by seasoned observer I.F. Stone on the Israeli-Arab conflict, a number of thick texts by author-academics Walter Laqueur, Irving Howe and Carl Gershman.

But the most blatant material is both anti-Zionist and anti-Semitic. "Anti-Semitism — a changing concept," published by Khartoum University Press in 1970, explains that anti-Semitism has been exploited by Zionists to further their political ambitions. "I suggest that political anti-Semitism could have ended with the end of the Nazis," says the author, "but the Zionists wanted it to continue in some form or another."

"Political Prisoners and Human Rights in Israel," a report from the Union of Liberal Students, describes torture of Palestinian and Jewish prisoners in Israel, adding: "In Israel there is no law which makes discrimination illegal. Israel is a Jewish state..."

A 1973 Fatma booklet is titled "Resistance in the Middle East" and subtitled "Against Neo-Nazism," paralleling Israeli with Nazi Germany. Several books and pamphlets are available by mail order, including **The Other**.

"Elderly persons, lacking an acute problem, should not have to turn up at emergency departments where they tend to receive inadequate, spotty care," said Dr. Fisher.

A worthwhile experimental project here, he feels, would be a "system modelled after the British 'flying squad', comprised of a doctor, social worker, and nurse, who go out in response to various problems which arise."

Pearl Langer, president of Co-ordinated Services to Jewish Elderly, spoke of the advances which the agency has made since its inception less than three years ago, when it was founded to serve close to 95 of senior citizens who "do not desire or require institutionalization."

Executive Director Michael Scheinert, while no-



Prof. Ben Lappin (left) of Bar-Ilan University in Israel made Nathan Hurwich an honorary fellow of institution at dinner in Toronto last week. Looking on is John Diefenbaker, guest speaker at the event, Roy Hurwich, wife of honoree and Lou Lockshin, executive member of Bar-Ilan's Toronto chapter. (Luo Huxman photo)

Arab reaction to the Likud is moderate, Cotler reports

On the prospects for peace in the Mideast, Prof. Cotler told The CJN that his feeling was that

there is no disposition for war in the Arab countries, particularly Egypt and Jordan. He ascribed this to a certain amount of war-weariness, and to the

feeling that the Arab world can gain more through a Pax Americana than through a military option at this stage.

But he added that one

senior official with whom he talked made it clear that the Arabs would not rule out the military option if, as before the Yom Kippur War, it became necessary to "unfreeze" a deadlocked situation.

Asked if he detected any progress in Arab attitudes to the idea of eventual peace with Israel, he replied: "The people with whom I spoke say that everything has been turned upside down. When they wanted war, Israel was asking for peace. Now, when they say they want peace, they are not sure that Israel is prepared for a settlement."

Prof. Cotler pointed out that the problem of Arab recognition of the legitimacy of Israel is still complex: "While there are plenty of statements on record that Arab leaders are prepared to recognize Israel, it is not clear that they are prepared to sanction the legitimacy of a Jewish state in the Middle East."

"As the Arabs see it, Jewishness is a religion. If the Jews are a sectarian group and not a people, they have no right to self-determination and hence no right to a state. The Arabs are prepared to make peace with this entity called Israel," he said, "and hope that as a result of peace and the exigencies

'Seniors poorly serviced'

By MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO — Dr. Roy Fisher, head of the Department of Extended Care at Sunnybrook Medical Centre, is critical of present hospital attention given to seniors.

Addressing about 100 people at the third annual meeting of Co-ordinated Services to Jewish Elderly, the Dublin-trained doctor insists that "the whole concept of traditional medicine must be re-assessed in dealing with older persons."

He deplored much of the intensive clinical investigation inflicted upon the aged, suggesting that supportive care is much better than unrealistic treatment and expectations.

And he pondered the dispensing of free drugs. Affirming that adverse reactions in the elderly are about nine times greater than in our younger population, he said: "I question the value of legislation which encourages over-use of drugs."

He stressed the importance of providing the best services to keep the elderly out of institutions whenever possible, and described some of the methods used in Sunnybrook's geriatric department, including an assessment unit, rehabilitation, half-way houses, and a reach-out program. The purpose is to return people to the community, but continue to keep them under a hospital services umbrella.

The courses may deal with the generalities of religion but not touch on doctrine. The report includes a list of 12 possible courses with suggested texts.

Priority for the establishment of these courses would be given to schools with a high percentage of Jewish students; namely, Sir Winston Churchill, Town of Mount Royal, St. Laurent and Wagar.

A second approach to introducing Jewish moral values into the curriculum of public high schools could be accomplished, for example, by the inclusion of the Holocaust in history courses or a literary analysis of the Hebrew Bible in world literature courses, the report says.

Increase French in day schools

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Laxer suggests the curriculum of the day schools might be supervised by a "Jewish committee," similar to the Protestant and Catholic committees, to avoid prolonged negotiations each year for grants meted out at "bureaucratic discretion."

The Jewish work group's report recommends Jewish moral instruction in public secondary schools, provided such courses would be open to all students regardless of religion, be elective and accredited and taught by thoroughly qualified teachers.

Monson, who is also national president of the Zionist Organization of Canada, said Begin might withdraw his commitment to Aguda because "he's realistic enough to know what harm it (the amendment) could do."

Rabbi Arthur Bielfeld of Temple Emanu-El (Reform) said the issue was still a speculative one. "However, we trust that the premier realizes that what he requires at this moment is the united support of the world Jewish community, and any legislation that appears to make Israel the private domain of a particular religious group would be a very tragic mistake."

Rabbi Albert Pappenheim, executive director of United Synagogue of Am-

erica, Ontario Region (Conservative), said he was "very much concerned that nothing should be done to prejudice freedom of worship." The B'nai Israel, Beth David rabbi said he was speaking personally.

Phil Givens, national president of the Canadian Zionist Federation, said the conversion issue was "another area of potential strife" in Judaism, and he warned that a revised Law of Return is "bound to antagonize the Reform and Conservative movements."

Speaking of Labor's victory in last week's Histradut election, Givens admitted he was disturbed by the results. "What you have is a standoff between a government that's rolling one way and a labor movement that's going to rebuff the government at every turn."

He said Likud's attitude toward some of the occupied territories contained the seeds of an Israeli-American confrontation. But Givens said he expected Likud to moderate its

of time Israel will become another Mideastern state. The process of Arabization will take place, to quote Henri Bourassa in another context, "par le seul force de nombres," summed up Prof. Cotler.

Outlining the content of his discussions on the Arab boycott, Prof. Cotler told The CJN: "The Arabs feel Canadians have not understood their reasons for instituting the boycott, and tend to side with Israel. I for my part explained that while Canada can understand one country waging economic warfare against another, the extension and application of that warfare to innocent third parties, in this case Canada, was unacceptable." He told Arab officials that Canada's policy would only be "evenhanded" to the extent that she refused to comply with the boycott.

During his visit to Syria, Prof. Cotler paid repeated visits to the beleaguered 3,500 community of Damascus. While noting that the situation has improved in some respects during the past two years, he singled out as particularly tragic the plight of the 500 single women who are denied the right to leave the country, despite the fact that they will not be able to find partners in Syria.

Rabbis concerned over proposed laws

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Another reaction came from Rabbi David Monson, who heads the Conservative Beth Shalom synagogue. He said a revised Law of Return "would drive a horrible schism among the Jewish people by creating two kinds of Jews."

Monson, who is also national president of the Zionist Organization of Canada, said Begin might withdraw his commitment to Aguda because "he's realistic enough to know what harm it (the amendment) could do."

Rabbi Arthur Bielfeld of Temple Emanu-El (Reform) said the issue was still a speculative one. "However, we trust that the premier realizes that what he requires at this moment is the united support of the world Jewish community, and any legislation that appears to make Israel the private domain of a particular religious group would be a very tragic mistake."

Rabbi Albert Pappenheim, executive director of United Synagogue of Am-

erica, Ontario Region (Conservative), said he was "very much concerned that nothing should be done to prejudice freedom of worship." The B'nai Israel, Beth David rabbi said he was speaking personally.

Phil Givens, national president of the Canadian Zionist Federation, said the conversion issue was "another area of potential strife" in Judaism, and he warned that a revised Law of Return is "bound to antagonize the Reform and Conservative movements."

Speaking of Labor's victory in last week's Histradut election, Givens admitted he was disturbed by the results. "What you have is a standoff between a government that's rolling one way and a labor movement that's going to rebuff the government at every turn."

He said Likud's attitude toward some of the occupied territories contained the seeds of an Israeli-American confrontation. But Givens said he expected Likud to moderate its

policies with the passage of time.

Norman Auslander, president of the left-wing Friends of Pioneering Israel, said a new Law of Return would alienate non-Orthodox Jews, and prevent Israel from being "a nation of all the Jewish people." He stated that Likud's position on the occupied lands could adversely affect Israel's international image.

Louis Silver, chairman of Herut Hatzohar's public affairs committee, said the amended Law of Return would only affect Reform and Conservative rabbis who did not perform conversions according to Halacha. "They're the ones who are trying to change the system; they're looking for certain recognition and status, and think they can change things that are immutable."

Silver said Likud did not have a "hard line" on the occupied areas, and added he was not convinced Washington sought Israel's agreement to return these territories.

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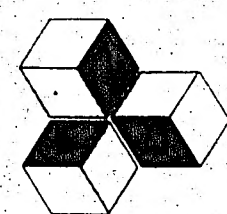


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